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BRITAIN AND FRANCE EXTEND FULL ASSISTANCE TO NORWAY

Protest By King Of Denmark

According to an Amsterdam despatch, King Christian of Denmark has issued a proclamation from Amalienborg Palace protesting against the occupation of his country, and calling on the population to keep calm, says Reuter from London.

"God save you all, God save Denmark" were the concluding words of the personal broadcast by King Christian on the Copenhagen radio.

Another appeal, signed by the King and the Prime Minister, stated that the Danish Government had, under protest, decided to continue to lead the country under the conditions created by the German occupation.

The German troops in Denmark had now established contact with the Danish armed forces, and it was the people's duty to refrain from any interference of these troops and the Danish Government will attempt to protect the people and country against the disastrous consequences of war.

A loyal attitude must be observed towards all who have the authority to exercise it.

NEW U.S. CONSUL IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—It is officially announced today that Mr. Frank Pruitt Lockhart, Counsellor of the United States Embassy in Peking and Consul-General in Tientsin, is succeeding Mr. G. E. Gauss as U. S. Consul-General in Shanghai.

Mr. Gauss recently left to take up the post of first U. S. Minister to Australia.

Mr. Lockhart twice before served as Consul-General in Shanghai.

TWO HUNDRED DEAD

OSLO, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Two hundred men are reported to have gone down with the unidentified German ship which was sunk by the Royal Navy off Lillesand yesterday.

It is stated that 88 men were saved, and that 27 bodies have been recovered.

AIR FORCE ACTIVE

PARIS, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A war communique issued here states that there was no important incident on the front yesterday, although, in the course of the morning there was a certain amount of activity on the part of both Air Forces.

ONLY ONE BRITISH SHIP SUNK BY ENEMY ACTION IN A WEEK

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—It is officially announced that losses of British ships sunk by enemy action during the week ended at midnight on April 7 were the lowest since the beginning of the war while the losses of neutral ships were also the lowest excepting for the two previous weeks in which no loss was recorded.

Only one British ship, of 208 tons, was sunk and one Norwegian ship, of 2,118 tons. The total loss of 2,326 tons represents only about 1/17th of the average weekly losses for the 31 weeks of the war.

The British ship was the steam trawler Gorsepen, which was sunk as the result of an aircraft attack, while the neutral ship was the Navarra which was sunk by an at-



KING CHRISTIAN OF DENMARK

BLITZKRIEG GAVE DANES NO CHANCE

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Reuter learns that only some 10,000 Danish troops were present at Jutland when the German invasion began. The total number of Danish troops available for the whole country was not more than 25,000.

Had the Danes had time to mobilise they could have mustered 100,000 but the German blitzkrieg gave them no opportunity.

The Danish Legation in London is awaiting instructions most anxiously but, as no news has been received, it is feared that the Government at Copenhagen is entirely in German hands and, therefore, nothing can be done in London.

The Danish Minister had, therefore, no basis on which to make a demarche to the British Foreign Office.

GERMANY DECIDED TO STEAL A MARCH

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—THE ANNOUNCEMENT, "IN VIEW OF THE PREVAILING CONDITIONS, THE DANISH GOVERNMENT has decided to accept German protection" broadcast on the German Wireless and the assertion that "henceforth German armed forces will secure protection and repulse attacks" were made in addresses to the populations of Norway and Denmark.

Army Leave Suspended In Holland

AMSTERDAM, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Dutch decision to suppress army leave was taken after the Government had met to consider Holland's position in the new crisis. It is stated that certain military measures had already been taken in the past, few days in view of the gravity of the situation. For months the armed forces had been in readiness and Holland is confident that she could not be overrun like Denmark.

ALLIED WAR CABINETS MEET: NECESSARY NAVAL, MILITARY STEPS ACCORDINGLY TAKEN

Text Of Foreign Office Statement

It was officially announced in London yesterday, according to Reuter, that the British and French Governments have assured the Norwegian Government that in view of the German aggression of their country, they have decided forthwith to extend full aid to Norway and have intimated that they will fight the war in full association with her.

The necessary naval and military steps have accordingly been taken in conjunction with the French Government.

5.30 A.M. DEMAND TO KOHT

OSLO, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Dr. Koht, Norwegian Foreign Minister, was called on by the German Minister at 5.30 a.m. this morning and presented with the demand that Norway place herself under German military administration and that she let the Germans occupy the country without resistance.

The German Minister said that Germany is taking this step to prevent the Allies from occupying Norway.

The Norwegian Cabinet held a meeting immediately afterwards and rejected the German demand. Norway then declared war on Germany.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE STATEMENT:

"THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT SAYING THAT THEY HAVE DECIDED TO TAKE OVER THE PROTECTION OF DENMARK AND NORWAY. IT ADDS THAT THIS ACTION IS IN REPLY TO THE LAYING OF MINELANDS IN NORWEGIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS BY GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE YESTERDAY.

"Information has now reached His Majesty's Government to the effect that the German Minister in Oslo demanded the surrender of Norway to Germany and, in the event of refusal, all resistance will be crushed. This demand was, of course, immediately refused by the Norwegian Government.

"Information has been received that German troops have already occupied Norwegian territory and, that their action is in reply to the steps taken by the British and French Governments, will deceive nobody.

"So elaborate is the operation, involving simultaneous landings at a number of Norwegian ports by troops, accompanied by naval forces, that it must have been planned long in advance. It is not surprising that the Norwegian Government had decided to resist this latest exhibition of German aggression.

PLANES AND MEN

Reuter learns that the help which the Allies is sending to Norway includes aeroplanes, as well as ships and men.

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CHUNGKING STUNNED BY NEWS

Special to H. K. Daily Press
CHUNGKING, Apr. 9 (Havas)—Politicians were stunned on receiving news of the war between Norway and Germany. The general opinion is that the European war is now entering into a dramatic stage while the Soviet attitude is now considered to be a very important factor.

A high official stated that the Chinese Government has not yet received official confirmation of the European developments, and therefore refrained from official comment.



KING HAAKON OF NORWAY

"BUSINESS AS USUAL" IN S'HA

Special to H. K. Daily Press
SHANGHAI, Apr. 9 (Havas)—The watchword of local Danes is "business as usual" said M. Paul Scheel, Danish Consul-General, when interviewed by the press. He added: "The nationals of other occupied countries are carrying on in Shanghai and elsewhere and I hope that we can."

Meanwhile, gloom prevails among the members of the prosperous Danish and Norwegian communities here.

A prominent Dane stated: "We have been here for many years, and we cannot lose our independence. Let us hope that we will get it back completely some day."

"In the last war, we managed to preserve strict neutrality and we hope to do this in the present war."

Neither the Danish or Norwegian Consuls have received official confirmations of the invasion of their countries by the Germans. Both learned the news through news agency messages.

Gilman and Co.'s showroom in Kowloon was broken into early yesterday morning and a pane of glass removed from the ground floor window. A portable Philco Radio set and a Columbia gramophone were removed from the premises.

Nazi Troops Land At Copenhagen

BERLIN, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A special communique, issued by the German High Command, says: "German motorised and armoured forces crossed the Danish frontier this morning near Flensburg and Tondern. They are proceeding northward, via Apenrade and Esbjerg.

"At dawn, German troops went ashore in a little belt near Mittel-fahrt and occupied the belt. German naval forces penetrated the great belt and landed troops at Korsor and Nosorg.

"Coming from Warnemunde, troops in an armoured train landed at Gjedser from where they began to advance northward. At the same time, the bridge at Vordingborg, in the south of the island of Seeland, was occupied.

"German troops landed at Copenhagen at dawn and the citadel and broadcasting station were occupied.

"Since 8 a.m., the whole town has been in German hands."

EGERSUND OCCUPIED

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Norwegian circles in London state that, according to latest information, the Germans have occupied the port of Egersund from which the main cable leaves Norway. The cable station at Egersund is obtainable.

Two German warships have entered the port of Trondheim and one has entered Bergen.

The town of Christiansand has been bombed by a German squadron from the sea and also by German aeroplanes. The town of Porsgrunn was bombed from the air about noon.

OSLO EVACUATION

Oslo is being evacuated as fast as possible. Four German warships entered Oslo Fjord early today but were driven off by coastal guns. A second effort to re-enter the fjord was then made but the German ship which did so and ran aground.

A Paris message says that according to the Norwegian Home Defence authorities the evacuation of Oslo by the civilian population will be completed by tomorrow.

Christiansand is likewise being evacuated and trains are packed with refugees leaving for the interior.

LITTLE NEWS

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Little news had been able to come from Oslo up to 8.30 a.m. after which the Oslo Wireless was filled with news of the German landing.

The German claim to have captured ports on the coast of Norway, from Narvik down to Christiansand, is discredited in London where the reports are attributed to German propaganda.

There are two possible explanations of the situation in Oslo as broadcast from there. Either the Germans have occupied Oslo, or that they are broadcasting on the Oslo wavelength in order to undermine the morale of the Norwegians, with news of their successes.

The latter method was adopted by the Russians in Finland and by the Germans in Poland.

CAPITAL MOVED

OSLO, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Government has left Oslo and is going to Hamar.

"Germany Attempted To Dominate Scandinavia Ever Since The War Began," Chamberlain Tells House

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—"Germany today invaded Denmark and Norway. Ever since the beginning of the war she had attempted to dominate Scandinavia and control both the political and economic policy of the Scandinavian States," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the House of Commons today.

The Premier was received with loud cheers which continued for some moments.

There was an atmosphere of repressed excitement. The Diplomatic Gallery was well filled and among these present were the Spanish, Russian, Belgian, American and Chinese Ambassadors. The Norwegian Minister also attended.

Continuing his statement, Mr. Chamberlain said that Germany's pressure on the Scandinavian States had been steadily increasing.

"She claimed and exercised the right to dictate their policy towards Finland during the Finnish-Soviet war. At the end of that war I said that the 'security of Finland has gone but has the security of Norway and Sweden been preserved?'"

"On the contrary, the danger has been brought closer than ever to these two countries till now it stands upon their doorstep. Nothing can save them but their determination to defend themselves

interfering with normal Norwegian trade.

"At no time did the Allies contemplate any occupation of Scandinavian territory so long as it is not attacked by Germany. Any allegations by German to the contrary are pure invention and have no foundation in fact (cheers)."

"The German Government has now issued a statement that they decided to take over the protection (laughter) of Denmark and Norway. German motorised and armed forces crossed the Danish frontier at daybreak and a considerable area of Danish territory is in German occupation. Their troops are reported to have landed at Copenhagen this morning.

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Naval Battle Off West Coast Of Norway

SPECIAL TO H.K. DAILY PRESS

PARIS, Apr. 9 (Havas)—A battle between the Allied and German fleets is reported to be taking place at present off the west coast of Norway in the midst of a raging storm.

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In the World of Sports

Eastern Leave For Tour In Manila: "We Are Confident" — Manager

"We are confident of being able to give a good account of ourselves."

Mr. Tsui Hang manager of the Eastern Athletic Association, was all smiles when he addressed these words to a representative of the Hongkong Daily Press on board an Italian liner yesterday afternoon prior to departure for Manila where Eastern is due to play a series of five matches against representative teams.

"My men are all fit, and with the addition of three crack players from Shanghai, we are very confident of success," he added.

Hsu King-sing, captain of the team, said that his men were looking forward to playing on flood lit pitches.

"STAR" PLAYERS

Three "star" players from the Lido Club in Shanghai, who have come down to play for Eastern, were able to make the trip. They are N. Z. Lee, T. C. Tsao and Y. K. Hui.

Lau Hing-chol, a former South China player, and Tsui Ah-fai, the All-China pivot, are also included in Eastern's selection of players for their Manila tour and with such a strong combination of football talent, they should certainly return with flying colours.

Mr. Sze Po-wei, who accompanies the team as hon. secretary, said that he looked on the tour more as a goodwill mission to foster better understanding and closer friendship between the Chinese and the people of the Philippine Islands.

Mr. Cheung Pak-lung is the hon. treasurer.

The team to play in Manila will be selected from the following players who sailed yesterday:—

Lau Hin-hon, Kong Sin-keng, Tsang Chung-wan, Lo Wai-kuen, Hsu King-sing (Capt.), Lau Chung-sang, Hau Ching-to, C. T. Tsao, V. K. Hui, N. Z. Lee, Cheung Kam-hoi, Choong Yung-sum, Lee Tak-kee, Woo Chi-sang and Tsui Ah-fai.

UNIV. SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Latest development in Hongkong University sports circles is the announcement of fixtures of the Inter-Faculty Football Tournament, which is as follows:—

April 12—Arts v. Engineering.
April 16—Medicals v. Engineering.
April 18—Arts v. Medical.

BASKETBALL MATCHES

Yesterday evening, at the University Gymnasium, Ricci Hall snatched victory from May Hall by 36 points to 34, thus becoming runners-up in the 1940 Inter-Hotel Basketball Tournament, after ten minutes extra time.

RICCI HALL:—M. W. Luk 25, Ku Mao Hsiang 0, G. Karpusheff 7, J. B. Lim 2, Leslie Sung 0, Ho Hung Sun 2. Total: 38.

MAY HALL:—O. C. Leow 6, K. Y. Mui 14, P. Fok 2, C. C. Chen 5, Y. W. Yeung 4, H. S. Li 3. Total: 34.

St. John's Hall gave a walk-over to Elliot Hall, the champions.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 20th April, 1940, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 11th April, 1940.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

LAI WAH CUP FINAL

Chinese And Army Teams Chosen

The final of the Lai Wah Cup will be played on the Hongkong Football Club ground on Sunday, at 4 p.m., between the Chinese and the Army at the conclusion of which Mrs. Grasset, wife of H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasset, will present the trophy.

The teams are as follows:—
Chinese — Cheung Wing-chol; Lee Kwok-wai, Lee Tin-sang; Soong Ling-sing; Leung Wing-chiu, Tse Kam-hung; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheong; Lee Wai-tong (Capt.), Lai Shu-wing and Ip Pak-wah.

Reserves — Tam Kwan-kon, Mak Shiu-hon, Hau Yung-sang, Lau Chi-chen, Chau Man-chi, Wong King-chung, Chan Tak-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam.

Managers — Lam Chung-hou and Victor Wong.

Army — Duncan; Naysmith, Sheehan, Freshwater, Bright, Wilkinson; Hossack, Gordon, Fox, Fleming and Duffield.

Reserves — Reynolds, Lawton, Guy, Saw and Martin.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

FOOTBALL — First Division: Kwong Wah v. Kowloon (Boundary Street), 5 p.m.; South China "A" v. Club (Caroline Hill), 5 p.m.; Third Division: Electric 5th R.A. (St. Joseph's), 5 p.m.

RIFLE SHOOTING — Hongkong Rifle Association Weekly Spoon & Practice Shoot (200, 500 & 600 yards), at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

TENNIS — Colony's Championships: Open Doubles — J. Gon-salves and A. V. Remedios (8); E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. C. H. E. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson (Stand Court); Club Championship — R. G. Biesel, Jr. v. E. C. Fay (7); Handicap Doubles — N. D. Lloyd and W. R. Lambert, Scr. v. R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie, -1.5 (2); Handicap Mixed Doubles — B. O'M. Deane and Miss D. Eardley v. V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph v. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark, Scr. (3).

TOMORROW

ATHLETICS — Wah Yan College Annual Athletic Meeting, on Kowloon Football Club Ground, 1 p.m.; St. Joseph's College Annual Sports, at S.C.A.A. Stadium, 1 p.m.

TENNIS — Colony's Championships: Open Singles — S. A. Rum-jahn v. J. W. Leonard (4); Open Doubles — Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan or T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould v. J. B. Gon-salves and A. V. Remedios (Stand Court); Handicap Singles — A. H. Barwell, -1.5 v. C. B. Nicholson, -3.5 (8); Handicap Mixed Doubles — C. H. R. and Mrs. Hyde v. R. C. Beavan and Miss J. Small, -3.5 (3).

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

TENNIS — Colony's Championships: Open Doubles — E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung or C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson v. T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay or T. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (Stand Court); Handicap Doubles — V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong, -1.5 or R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd, -3.5 v. N. D. Lloyd and W. R. Lambert, Scr. or R. V. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie, -1.5 (2); A.

SAINTS LOSE IN FRIENDLY SOCCER

Only seven players turning up at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon for a Senior League football match, St. Joseph's decided to forfeit two points to South China "B".

Instead a friendly game was played the Chinese winning 2-0 after a goalless first half.

GAME POSTPONED

The First Division encounter between South China "A" and the Club, which was, to have been played at Caroline Hill this afternoon, has been postponed. It is understood that the reason for the postponement is that both teams prefer to play during the week-end when the gates are usually bigger.

The match between Kwong Wah and Kowloon in the First Division, will be played today at Boundary Street, at 5 p.m.

FIRST DIVISION TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
S. China "A"	16	13	2	1	54	19	28
Eastern	20	13	2	5	56	29	28
S. China "B"	16	8	3	5	36	33	19
Kowloon	17	8	2	7	30	36	18
Royal Navy	17	7	2	8	33	45	16
Middlesex	18	6	4	8	45	34	18
Royal Scots	17	5	5	7	28	30	15
Kwong Wah	17	5	2	9	35	42	14
Police	18	4	5	9	28	42	13
Club	18	5	2	11	26	47	12
St. Joseph's	16	4	3	9	28	39	11

Home Soccer Scores

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The following are the results of the Home (Regional) football matches played yesterday:—

SOUTH C
Millwall 3, Portsmouth 4
West Ham 2, Arsenal 1
SCOTTISH (Western)
Airdrieonians 1, Hamilton 1
SCOTTISH (Eastern)
Dundee 2, Dunfermline 2
King's Park 2, Dundee U. 1

EAST MIDLANDS LUCKY TO DRAW AT RUGGER

The quality of the Rugby at Northampton, where East Midlands and United Hospitals drew 3-3, was not outstanding, but the game was always interesting.

East Midlands were lucky to draw, because twice more their line was crossed without a try being scored.

On the first occasion C. A. Young was brought down on his back over the line, while later Babrow crossed the line and gave a pass that was not taken under the impression that he had only crossed the "25" line.

WORTH A PLACE

A feature of the play was the form of R. T. Campbell, this time in the centre. Campbell can perform with distinction anywhere behind the scrum, and is worth a place in an England XV.

R. L. Hall scored the Hospitals' try and H. S. Good replied for the Midlands.

In the first meeting between two of the oldest clubs, Rosslyn Park beat the Wasps (12-3). For Park W. H. Clement, the Welsh International, ran in with two tries. H. M. Bowcott, another Welsh cap of an earlier date, was the outstanding figure among the Wasps' backs.

Though without H. O. Edwards Neath beat Swansea 9-3, and Wooler's goalkeeping enabled Cardiff to beat Llanelly 11-9.

Special interest in the Cardiff game was in the play of Cliff Jones. He was not at his best, and the Welsh selectors afterwards chose W. E. Jones, Neath for the vacant outside half-back position in the Welsh team to play England.

Lade and G. W. Sewell, -5.6 or W. G. Harvey and A. H. Barwell, Scr. v. C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner, Scr. (3); T. C. Monaghan and D. M. MacDougall, -1.5 v. C. B. Nicholson and G. V. Hobbs, -2.6 (4).

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

LAWN BOWLS — Bowsters v. Artillery Company, H.K.V.D.C. at Government House, 3 p.m.

H.K. JOCKEY CLUB

CLASSIFICATION LISTS

Alterations and additions to Classification lists of the Hongkong Jockey Club, dated March 11, 1940, are as follows:—

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

Ascot Day, Many Thanks to "A" Class; Flying Dutchman, Tevot-dale, Triumphant Day to "B" Class; Rising Star to "C" Class; A Good Time to "D" Class.

CHINA PONIES

Johnner, Oonagh to "A" Class; Distinctive Time, Just in Time to "B" Class; Chatterbox to "C" Class.

CHAMPIONS TO MEET "REST"

Kowloon Cricket Club, senior League cricket champions, will meet a team representative of "The Rest" at K.C.C. on Saturday. Following will represent "The Rest":—

J. E. Richardson, T. V. N. Fortescue and A. E. Perry (Civil Service), A. R. Minu and K. Nazarin (I.R.C.), R. L. Gosano and L. G. Gosano (Rectory), Sgt. Denyer and Sgt. Webb (Army), A. R. H. Esmail (C.C.C.), and W. S. Gegg (University).

Following will represent K.C.C.: D. J. N. Anderson (capt.), E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, N. A. E. Mackay, D. Hung, A. Zimmern.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE TO COMMENCE ON MAY 4

Council Pays Tribute To Sir Atholl MacGregor

AT A MEETING OF THE HONGKONG LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL, held in the offices of Messrs. Gande, Price and Co., Ltd. yesterday with Sir Atholl MacGregor, Vice-President, in the chair, it was decided that the League should start on May 4.

The proposal that there should be an even number of teams in the League, with ten in the First Division, ten in the Second Division and eight in the Third Division, was approved.

Kowloon Cricket Club and Civil Service Cricket Club will not play in the Third Division, but in the Second. The following were elected to the Special Competition Committee:—The President (Mr. G. S. Archbutt), Hon. Secretary (Mr. R. P. Phillips), and Messrs. A. Hyde Lay, A. W. Grummitt, E. de Souza and V. Chittenden.

Election of the Interport committee to look after the arrangements for the Interport with Shanghai, which will be played in May, was also discussed.

W. L. Rapley, F. J. Lay, G. C. Burnett and T. A. Madar, Twelfth Man—E. D. Day.

A photograph of the K.C.C. team will be taken during the tea interval.

OPEN TENNIS SINGLES

TSUI WAI-PUI BEATS LEUNG

The main feature of yesterday's Open Singles Tennis Championship was the match between Tsui Wai-pui, holder, and Leung Ping-chiu. Tsui, evidently had the upper-hand but Leung put up a good fight.

OPEN SINGLES

Tsui Wai-pui beat Leung Ping-chiu 6-3, 6-2.

HANDICAP SINGLES

P. Fagh bea; G. C. Burnett 5-7, 7-5, 6-4.

HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES
Surg.-Lt.-Cdr. C. B. and Mrs. Nicholson beat Lt. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill 6-2, 5-7, 6-4.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

D. M. Macdougall beat J. J. Ferguson 6-3, 6-3.

ST. PAUL'S SPORTS

The St. Paul's College 31st Annual Athletic Sports, will take place at Caroline Hill on Friday commencing at 1.30 p.m. The prize giving will be at approximately 5.30 p.m. and tea at 4.00 p.m.

He said he had never met a finer group of sportsmen, and mentioned that His Excellency the Governor, also a keen bowls player, was also of the same mind.



PLAYER'S PLEASE

IT'S THE TOBACCO THAT COUNTS

Allied Stand Supported

PRESS COMMENT ON THE BLOCKADE

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter).—The decision of the Allies to show their teeth is heartily welcomed by yesterday morning's British Press (which was still unaware of the greater news to come of the sowing of minefields).

Most of the Press comment was devoted to the Allied determination to tighten the blockade net round Germany. Without exception the British Press emphasizes the desire to respect neutral rights within the full limits of reason, but in plain language neutrals are asked to consider the alternative of an Allied victory.

THE ANSWER

The answer the papers suggest, was given on Saturday in the murder of the Norwegian officers and seamen of the Navarra which was sunk without warning by a Nazi submarine.

Perhaps the most outspoken comment was that appearing in the Yorkshire Post. We fully understand the Norwegian and Swedish fears of German aggression, says the paper. We are determined not to use Nazi methods against them, but we are entitled, on our side, for an understanding of our position.

OBSERVING THE LAW

The paper recalls that on Saturday the Norwegian foreign Minister said that Norway would defend her territorial waters against anyone who violated them. If Norway could and would fulfill that pledge, comments the Yorkshire Post, we might reasonably be content. We do not want to interfere with the neutrality of others; all we ask is that neutrality should be genuine. To observe the strict letter of the law, while the enemy tears it to tatters by his own advantage would make the law fulfilled to wrong purpose. Laws are made to curb the gangster, not to protect and reward him.

MORE SUPPLIES FOR BRITAIN

NAIROBI, April 9 (Reuter).—Kenya is preparing to produce more wheat, flax and beans for Britain on the advice of the East African Trade Delegation, now visiting London. Kenya is also planning a war time supply of hvy to the Near and Middle East.

GERMAN TANKER SUNK

HANDFJORD, April 9 (Reuter).—The German tanker, Posidonia was torpedoed off Rauer Islands, at the mouth of the Oslo Fjord, according to Customs officials who witnessed the incident from the shore.

The entire crew was rescued by a Norwegian torpedo boat.

THRILLING NEW LIP COLOURS FROM THE SOUTH SEA ISLANDS



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WANG VISITS PEIPING

CONFERENCE WITH HIS CHIEFS

PEIPING, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Wang Ching-wei arrived here on a sudden visit shortly after noon by plane. Evidently his arrival took all but a few in the know, completely by surprise.

He is remaining a few days and stated in an interview with Chinese Japanese and foreign journalists in the afternoon that he had come to North China to investigate the situation here and meet responsible authorities, the Japanese military Commander-in-Chief and others.

Wang Ching-wei stressed the importance of anti-Communism in the policy of the new "government" and expressed confidence that the North China regime would co-operate with the Nanking government.

"China and Japan have the same goal and surely we can join hand in hand and work for the welfare of both," he said.

Local foreign circles were completely puzzled as regards the reasons for Wang's visit at present, particularly its suddenness and secrecy.

JAPANESE ARE REPULSED

SIANGYANG, HUPEH, April 9 (Central).—Chungsiang, Kingshor and Yingsheng in central Hupeh have been subjected to attacks by Chinese forces during the past few days.

"The Chinese pressed to the immediate environs of Yingsheng, on the Hankow-Ichang highway, 52 miles northwest of Hankow, on Sunday. Japanese barracks and supply depots there were all set on fire.

A concerted attack on Machiaw, by Japanese infantry and artillery units a few days ago was repulsed.

FIGHTING NEAR HANGCHOW

KINHWA, April 9 (Central).—Intermittent fighting has taken place in the Hangchow-Kashing-Wuhing area in north Chekiang.

Last Saturday, Chinese units attacked the Japanese at Yenshan, Kashing, Changhing and other places. Over 100 Japanese were killed when a Japanese motor caravan was showered with hand grenades by Chinese troops near Wuhing some days ago.

BOGUS UNIT REVOLTS

HSUANG, HONAN, April 9 (Central).—A bogus peace preservation unit in Sinyang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in south Honan, rose against the Japanese and joined the Chinese side last Saturday. It is now under re-organisation.

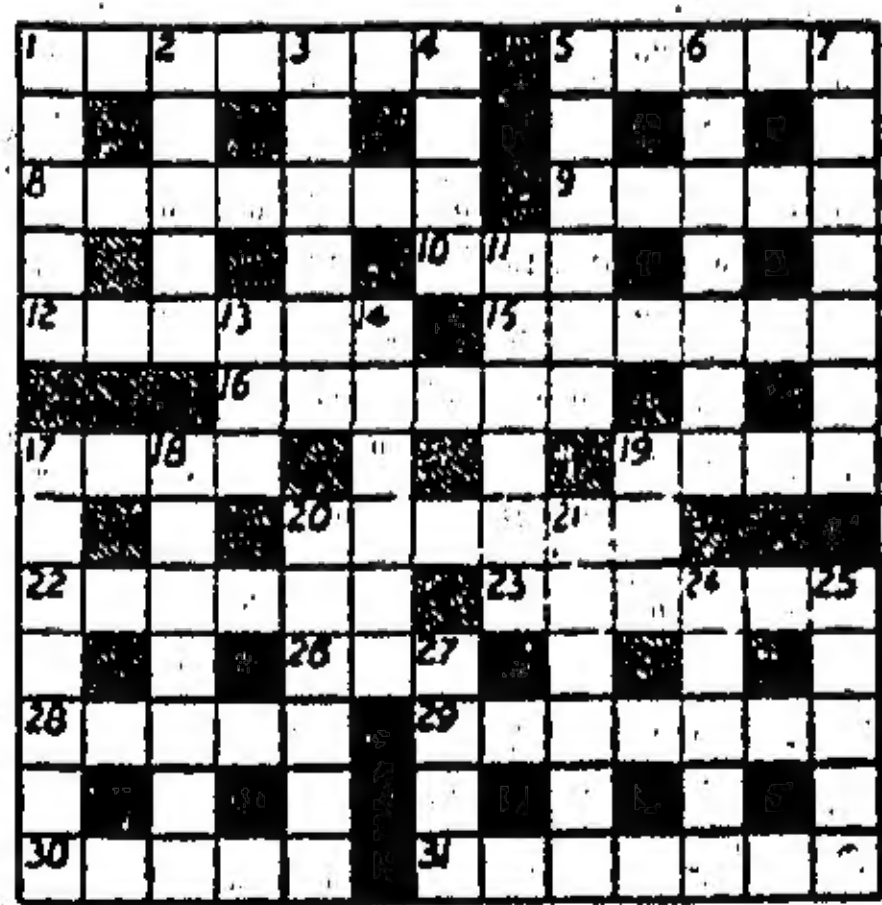
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- 10 Total
- 12 Save
- 15 Stitching tool
- 16 Invisible
- 17 Throw
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- 20 Photo-box
- 22 Conquer
- 23 Thin
- 26 Drink
- 28 Unmoving
- 29 Artist
- 30 Hurry
- 31 Want of harmony

- DOWN
- 1 Prance
 - 2 Shows
 - 3 Weapon
 - 4 Playthings
 - 5 Maniacs
 - 6 Weekday
 - 7 Become a firm
 - 11 Irregular
 - 13 Divide
 - 14 Land ownership
 - 17 Fish
 - 18 Feels pain
 - 19 Barrier
 - 20 Kine
 - 21 Hydrophobia
 - 24 Proportion
 - 25 Universe
 - 27 Imitated

SOLUTION TOMORROW

South Africa Is Ready

GEN. SMUTS SPEAKS ON THE WAR

CAPETOWN, April 9 (Reuter).—In a speech on War questions, General Smuts, the South African Premier, recalled that already 60,000 of South Africa's small population of Europeans have volunteered for military service.

There had been no extraordinary effort required to recruit the men, but if the war became more serious the response would be greater still.

GERMANY, A DANGER

Northern Rhodesia, Tanganyika and Kenya are the outposts of South Africa and her civilisation. "If there is danger we shall be there. Perhaps we shall have to defend South Africa there. For all this we are preparing."

General Smuts went on to say there is no isolation in the world today. He had not a drop of English blood in his veins but he did believe that Great Britain "is our greatest friend and that Germany would be a dangerous fellow."

The speaker said that since September 4, 1939, there had been a surge of feeling in favour of South Africa entering the war.

CHINESE PINCHER MOVEMENT

KWEILIN, April 9 (Central).—Chinese troops on both sides of the Nanning-Pinyang and Nanning-Yamchow highways are developing a pincer movement with Nanning as the converging point. To divert Chinese attention a Japanese unit has crossed the Tso River, a tributary of the Wat River, at Lungtau, which is situated west of Nanning, and is pushing northward. It has been repeatedly intercepted on the way.

ANOTHER SHIP GOES DOWN

CHRISTIAN IS, April 9 (Reuter).—Another German ship, the name of which is not yet known, was sunk by gunfire off Lillesand. Some of the wounded German seamen were brought ashore.

CHINESE TAKE PRISONERS IN CHILIN

LOYANG, April 9 (Central).—Some 300 Japanese were killed and over 10 taken prisoners in a Chinese attack on Chilun, a small town south of Linhsien in north Honan, recently. In addition, the Chinese captured seven motor lorries.

A Japanese cavalry unit was attacked by the Chinese at Chiling, north of Tsinyang, south-west of Po Ai, last Friday.

GENERAL SUNG'S FUNERAL

CHUNGKING, April 9 (Central).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek yesterday sent Mr. Tso Ming-tao, of the National Military Affairs Commission, to Menyang to help in making arrangements for the funeral of the late Gen. Sung Chieh-yuan, who passed away there on April 5.

The Standing Committee of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee yesterday sent a message of condolence to the family of the deceased.

LARGE GERMAN FLEET MASSING OFF NORWAY

OSLO, April 9 (Reuter).—Big warships were sighted yesterday morning off Bud, on the west coast of Norway, south of Trondheim, according to press reports.

Big warships were also seen from Hustadvik, just north of Bud, where five steamers were stopped.

It is reported from Bodoe, in North-west Norway, that ordinary coastal traffic was being seen proceeding northwards in Kattegat yesterday.

A later report from Oslo is to the effect that it has been confirmed that 90 to a hundred German warships were sighted yesterday morning, steaming north in Kattegat and the Great Belt. They included several large warships in addition to auxiliary craft and armed trawlers.

PROTEST TO BE LODGED

LONDON, April 9 (BWS).—According to Oslo reports, the Norwegian Government is addressing a strong protest to the British and French Governments in connection with the Allied decision to prevent the passage of vessels carrying contraband of war through Norwegian territorial waters. Norway, it is stated, reserves her rights. The Norwegian Minister called at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

ITALIAN REACTION

ROME, April 9 (Reuter).—The evening papers say that the Allied action of mine-laying in Norwegian waters is a breach of Norwegian neutrality and in this connection, the Tribuna, in a brief comment, says the "British who protested against Germany's mine warfare, describing it as 'barbarous' have today adopted the same 'arm against a neutral country'."

STATEMENT BY PREMIER?

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter).—Reuter learns that the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, will make a statement in the House of Commons today on the question of mine-laying in Norwegian waters.

KING INSPECTS MILITIAMEN

LONDON, April 9 (BWS).—His Majesty the King yesterday inspected the militiamen at Aldershot who had been recommended for commissions from the ranks. At the same time the Queen inspected two Canadian Regiments, one being the Toronto Scottish of which the Queen is Colonel-in-Chief. Her Majesty recalled to the Colonel that she had to present New Colours to the Regiment in Toronto during the Royal tour of Canada eleven months ago.

LONDON GAZETTE COLONEL OF THE ROYAL SCOTS

The War Office announces that the King has approved of the appointment of Colonel J. H. Mackenzie, C.M.G., D.S.O., retired pay as Colonel, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment), with effect from July 22, 1940, in succession to Major-General G. G. Loch, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., retired pay, who attains the age limit for the appointment on that date.

WAR OFFICE ORDERS LIST OF PROMOTIONS

The following list of promotions has been issued by the War Office:

REGULAR ARMY

The foll. Cols. remain on full pay.—K. J. Martin, D.S.O. (Nov. 18 to 23, 1939, incl.); H. S. Woodhouse, T.D., T.A. (Jan. 17).
ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS
Capt. (act. Lt.-Col.) J. W. Orr, M.C., M.B., to be temp. Lt.-Col. (Dec. 23, 1939).
ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS
Maj. (O.M.E. 2nd Cl.) (act. Lt.-Col. (O.M.E. 1st Cl.)) J. M. R. Dittus, M.A. (Eng.), A.M.I. Mech.E., to be temp. Lt.-Col. (O.M.E. 1st Cl.) (Dec. 3, 1939); Capt. (O.M.E. 3rd Cl.) (act. Maj. (O.M.E. 2nd Cl.)) W. C. Grigor, B.Sc., (Eng.), A.M.I.Mech.E., to be temp. Maj. (O.M.E. 2nd Cl.) (Jan. 25).

WAR OFFICE, MARCH 26

REGULAR ARMY
Col. C. R. C. Lane, Ind. Army, granted temp. rank of Brig whilst employed as Cndr. (temp.), Jan. 18.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Major G. E. Prissall placed on h.p. list (ill-health), Mar. 27.

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

Lt.-Col. G. P. Pavay placed on h.p. list (ill-health), Mar. 25. Major A. J. Hannah retires on ret. pay, Mar. 25. Major W. H. G. Rogers to be Lt.-Col. Mar. 25.

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Capt. to be Majors, Mar. 23: W. J. Allen, A. Grieve. Capt. (Mechat. Off.) F. J. West to be Major (Mechat. Off.), Jan. 1.

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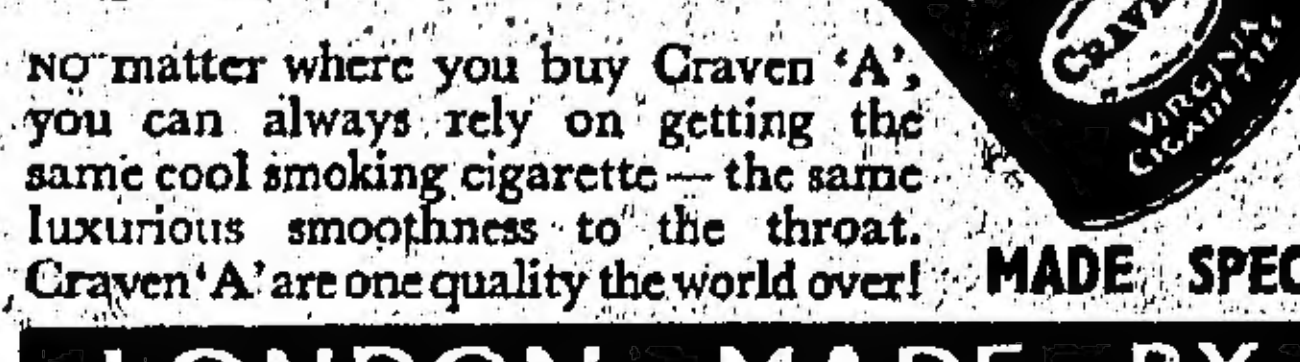


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YOUNGER SISTER GIVES FUNERAL OF ROUND THE EVIDENCE IN CLAIM MR. A. J. J. MARTIN COURTS

Property Dispute: Alleged Erasures On Document

THE YOUNGER OF TWO SISTERS, BOTH OF WHOM CLAIM TO BE LEUNG MEI-HA, and who are the opposing parties in the property dispute, which first came up for hearing on Monday in the Supreme Court, was called to give evidence yesterday afternoon after a number of expert witnesses had given testimony regarding Chinese handwriting and alleged erasures on a document.

The case which was heard by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, was brought by the elder sister, who called herself Leung Mei-ha, and who asked the court for a declaration that she is the owner of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2351 (No. 13 Nga Tsing Road) and an order for her younger sister, the defendant Leung Shiu-fan, alias Leung Mei-ha, to return the Crown lease and other documents in connection with the property.

The defendant counter-claims for a declaration that she is the rightful owner of the property.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, whilst Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. H. K. Woo, was for the defence.

"TAIL IS GOOD"

Defendant yesterday said that her name was originally Mei-ha. As the characters could be interpreted in speaking as "tail is good," her schoolmates were fond of giving her the nickname of "rotten stomach saltfish." This annoyed her so much that she obtained her foster mother's consent to change her name to Mei-na.

Defendant said plaintiff's name was originally Yuei-ho, but she later also changed her name to Yuei-ha.

Their surname was Chan, said plaintiff, but when her foster mother, Chau Shi, remarried after her husband's death, she adopted the surname Leung, which was the name of her foster mother's husband.

Defendant further stated that she frequently remitted money from Cholon, where she had gone at the age of 16 and where she was married, to Chau Shi. At one time, she considered purchasing a house

in Canton or Hongkong and wrote to Chau Shi about the matter.

GAVE \$5,000

Chau Shi went to Cholon in 1938, and when she left for Hongkong defendant gave her \$5,000 in Hongkong banknotes for the purpose of buying a house. Subsequently, she received a letter from Chau Shi notifying her that the house had been purchased.

When the plaintiff visited Cholon in 1937, she told defendant that the title deeds had to be left in Hongkong as the Government might require to inspect them. On a later visit in August 1938, defendant said she asked her sister again about the deeds, and wrote to plaintiff's husband for them.

The deeds, proceeded defendant, were not forthcoming. Plaintiff later mentioned that should she die, there would be some difficulty in assigning the property to her sister as she had signed the deeds. Defendant became suspicious and asked plaintiff to sign a promissory for \$8,000, which she then considered to be the value of the property. It was untrue that forced was used to persuade plaintiff to sign the note.

EXPERT TESTIMONY

Earlier during the hearing, expert evidence was given by Prof. Ma Kiam and Mr. D. F. Davis, lecturer in physics of the Hongkong University, and by Prof. Au Tai-yuen, Hanlin scholar of the Imperial Chinese regime. Mr. Davis said it appeared to him that there had been an erasure on one of the documents produced, and Prof. Au said the words which appeared to have been erased bore, in his opinion, the characteristics of the characters Mei-ha.

Hearing will be resumed tomorrow morning.

LARGE NUMBER OF WREATHS

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Mr. Alfred John James Martin, of the Standard Vacuum Oil Company, who died at his residence on Monday at the age 46. The Very Rev. J. L. Wilson officiated at the graveside.

A resident of the Colony for many years, the late Mr. Martin was formerly connected with Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews. His is survived by a widow, a son and a daughter, two brothers and a sister.

The chief mourners were Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Martin, Mr. T. A. Martin, Mr. T. Jewell and Mrs. Penzance, sister. Others present included Messrs. B. C. Randall, J. G. Meyer, T. G. Stokes, D. F. Lopes, J. Fraser, L. J. Jack, O. A. Smith, W. Orchard, J. W. Mayhew, S. F. Williamson, T. Ramsey, J. Paterson, J. Michel, V. C. Labram, G. B. Labram, J. Fleming, A. Ritchie, C. L. Farmer, D. Waterton, F. A. Peters, F. R. Peacock, C. F. Osmund, Captain Kirby, and members of the Chinese staff of the Standard Vacuum Oil Company.

THE WREATHS

Wreaths were sent by the following:—

Aunties and Uncles at Home; Gertrude, Tony and Peter; John; Gwen, George, Jack and Jill; John Peter, Marge and Dick; Tom, Mill and Tim; Wyn, Bill and Derrick; Leslie, Dorothy and Clarrie; Jean and Jimmy Lyon, Eve and Frank, Donald, Edith and Paul; Zena, Sonny and Reginald; Len and Ena and the children; John and Terry; Dai, Jae and Odd; May, Alvena and Helen; Andy and Susie; May and Will; Fred Ellis, Enid, June and Keith; May L. Gooley;

Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Captain and Mrs. A. Lahovetsky, Dr. and Mrs. Lanchester, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Priestley, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mugford, Mr. and Mrs. Cheung Man-kuen, Mr. and Mrs. U. Yak-kwal, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Hollo-way and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. John Hargreaves, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Waterton, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clemon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Moodie, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. F. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Handyside, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tang, Mr. and Mrs. Yew Ah-kow, Mr. and Mrs. Mah Chin-siu, Mr. and Mrs. Lau Wan-kwai, Mr. and Mrs. Hon Yan-lam;

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Langston, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kinross, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. Chan Wai-kuen, Mr. and Mrs. Tan Kim-ping, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Robbes, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. da Roza, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sanger, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. John Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Parsons and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Steed and Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Cairns and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Grainger;

Mrs. W. W. Cole and family, Mrs. C. C. Nelson, and Sons, Mrs. M. Hughes, Mrs. C. J. Shand, Miss M. J. Stuart, Eileen Bliss, Kathie and Marie Clarke, Mrs. Angus and Mrs. Shewan;

Messrs. E. G. N. Grimble, H. Jason, W. J. Thompson and G. B. Witcheil, E. Remedios and sisters, J. Lunny, R. M. Murray, Pong Bing-cheung, H. J. Fountain, C. Johnsing, T. Ramsey, A. Abbas, C. Hatt, R. R. Pearson, J. E. Anderson, Wong Wing-keung, G. Graver, J. W. Mayhew, W. L. L. Barker, T. B. Williams, J. F. Richmond, Fung Yiu-shon, E. M. Marques, H. L. Schultz, F. A. Peters, R. C. Danenberg, H. W. Belsley, N. L. H. Railton, F. L. Lam, R. Rocha, F. C. Allison;

Staff of T. A. Martin and Company, Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Standard Vacuum Oil Co., S.C.P.T. Steno section; Division Office, Standard Vacuum Oil Co.; Acctg. Dept., Hongkong Office, Standard Vacuum Oil Co., South China Territory, Standard Vacuum Oil Co.; Chinese Staff, Acctg. Department, Standard Vacuum Oil Company; Chinese Staff, Marketing Dept., Standard Oil Co.; Douglas, Lapraik and Company, Douglas Steamship Co., Williamson and Co., Che San and Company, and many others.

A pair of binoculars is awaiting a claimant at the Central Police Station. The instrument was found in the possession of an unemployed man, Lo Cheung, who pleaded guilty before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday of having stolen it on Sunday morning. The police have so far failed to trace the owner of the article.

Lo was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Ball of \$700 was allowed by Mr. E. Himsforth, at Kowloon Court yesterday, in the case against Tung Chung-yin, 25, insurance broker, who appeared on a charge of fraudulent conversion of \$3 from Tong Wing, master of the Wing Hop Comproadore Shop in Austin Road. A remand of one week was granted.

Charged with being a member of the Triad Society, which is an illegal society, a Water Policeman, Lam Muk, 35, No. 161, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday. He was formally remanded for a week in custody.

Pieter Poulous Dobbe, 43, a Dutch subject, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday charged with failing to report a change of address on April 4. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$10.

Appearing on a similar charge, Miss Hendriena Van Laer, who is also a Dutch subject, was fined \$10.

He Won't Be Late, Ever

MAN WHO BOUGHT ALL THE CLOCKS

Clocks, clocks, and more clocks. —140 of them—all of German origin, were sold by public auction at the office of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports yesterday morning and realised a total of \$246.

These clocks were part of the confiscated enemy property and became the property of the Crown. There were three large wall clocks, 83 medium-size table clocks and 55 small clocks. One of the medium-size clocks was found to be "dead" and was not put up for auction. The others were all in good order and condition, and were, readily purchased at well above the upset price.

There were about 25 bidders present at the sale and most of the purchases were made by a Mr. Kwok. In fact, Mr. Kwok bought more than half the supply. Who would not, when clocks are going at less than \$2 per piece?

THREATENING A WAITRESS

That cases of waitresses being threatened with assault if they did not lend money to certain men were becoming frequent in the Shanghai Street district, and that such cases were seldom reported to the police, was the statement made by Det. Sergt. Pope, prosecuting Ng Choi, 20, at Kowloon Court before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen yesterday.

Ng, who was charged with having demanded \$3 with menaces from Li Shiu-hing, 20, tea shop waitress, of No. 173, Shanghai Street, was sentenced to three months' hard labour. Complainant had reported the threat to the police and had been told to give defendant three marked one dollar notes. Defendant was later arrested with the marked notes in his possession.

GANG FIGHT AVERTED

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Court yesterday on Tung Shiu-ming, 19, charged with possession of a dagger in Argyle Street near Mongkok Market, on April 5. Defendant, it was stated, will be recommended for banishment.

Det. Sergt. Morrison, prosecuting, stated that Mongkok Police Station received information about 7 p.m. on April 5 that there was to be a fight in Argyle Street. A number of police were sent to the scene and the crowd that had gathered there immediately dispersed.

Defendant was arrested and a dagger was found tucked in his girdle. Five hammers were picked up from the road. Defendant had a previous conviction for larceny.

SERIES OF BLACKOUT EXERCISES TOMORROW

The public are reminded that a series of blackout exercises will be held tomorrow night.

Generally speaking, recent blackouts have shown that although many creditable efforts have been made to screen premises, in some cases residents have failed to ensure that the blinds were either long enough or wide enough to cover the window, and the material was of insufficient thickness.

In this connection it should be noted that it is advisable to have at least 4 inches overlap on either side. If this is not possible then it is preferable to cover up the sides, tops and bottoms of the window with strips of brown paper.

In several instances, the lights facing the main streets were either extinguished or obscured, but more attention must be paid to the back premises.

It was also reported that a large number of residents seemed content to sit in the darkness rather than take the trouble to obscure their lights. I cannot urge too strongly the fallacy of such procedure.

ROAD VEHICLES

In regard to every description of road transport vehicles, it is emphasised that the only obstruction colour which would not contravene the Lighting Control Regulations is blue, and any glass through which light may pass must be completely obscured with blue material or blue paint.

The use of headlights on motor cars is prohibited. When the first air raid warning signal sounds, traffic may be resumed provided that all lights are obscured.

The blacking out arrangements undertaken by shipping in the harbour have in former blackouts been very efficient, but the attention of owners of sampans and fishing vessels is drawn to the fact that they also must comply with the Lighting Control Regulations.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR INDISPOSED

On medical advice, His Excellency the Governor has, for the immediate future, cancelled all engagements that would entail his leaving his room, to which he is confined with an occlusion of a vein of the right leg.

When Digging Does Not Pay

Charged with possession of a quantity of live cartridges and empty cartridge cases, two men, Ju Ki, 45, and Tsang Wong, 33, the former of whom said the cartridges had been dug out from a hillside in Shataukok, Chinese territory, and brought into the Colony for sale, were each fined \$25 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Court yesterday.

The two defendants were arrested following an incident in Tai Po Road on April 6, when L.S.A. 167, a police officer, stopped lorry No. 2090 in Tai Po Road. Sacks full of broken cartridges were found on the lorry.

Ju Ki, master of the Man Sung Lung Shop in Argyle Street, was charged with possession of the two sacks of cartridges, a shell case, a bayonet and nine percussion caps.

Acting on information given by Ju Ki, a raid was carried out by the police on April 8 on a marine store at No. 175, Reclamation Street, ground floor, owned by Tsang Wong. A total of 325 cartridges and 790 empty cartridge cases were found in the shop and Tsang was charged with possession of this ammunition.

REFUGEES IN THE COLONY

There was an increase of 498 in the number of refugees and destitutes in the Colony accommodated in Government Camps, etc., in Urban and Rural Areas for the week-ended April 6.

Urban Areas (Civilians):

King's Park 1,288 against 1,296 on Mar. 30.

Ma Tau Chung 1,579 against 1,575 on Mar. 30.

North Point 1,393 against 1,425 on Mar. 30.

Morrison Hill 535 against 480 on Mar. 30.

Urban Areas (Soldiers):

In Hospital 16 against 25 on Mar. 30.

Argyle Street 718 against 687 on Mar. 30.

Urban Areas (Tai Hang):

Squatters' Camp 1,419 against 1,331 on Mar. 30.

Ngan Tau Kok 128 against 15 on Mar. 30.

Rural Areas:

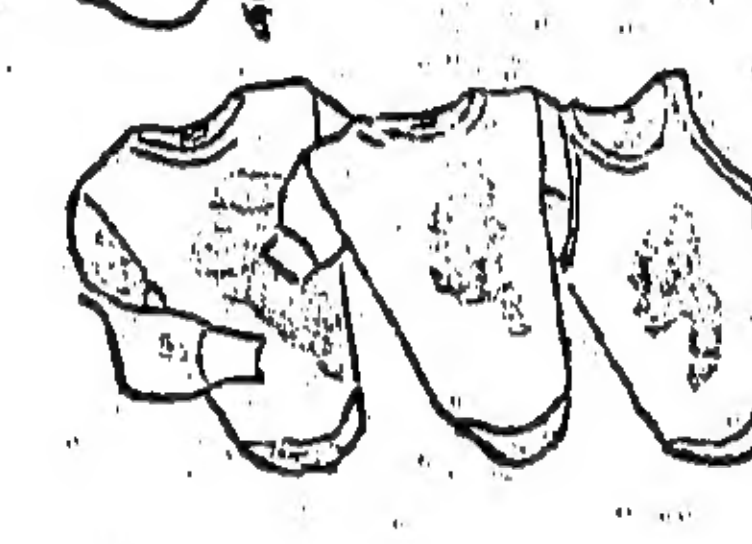
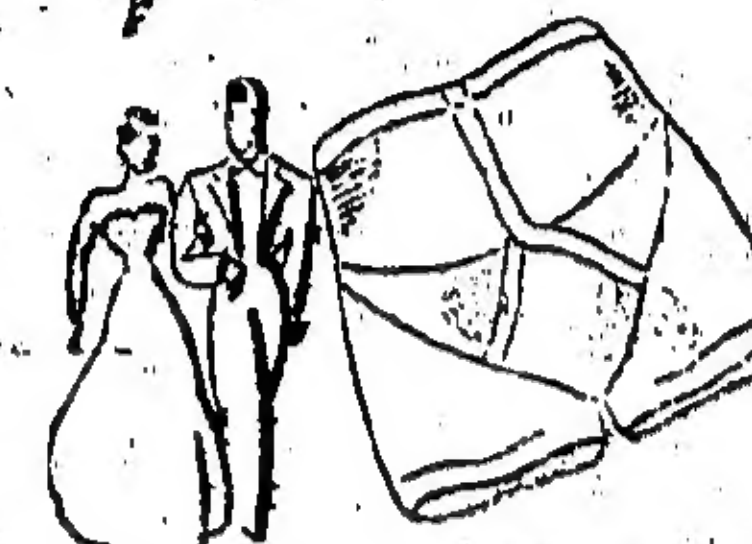
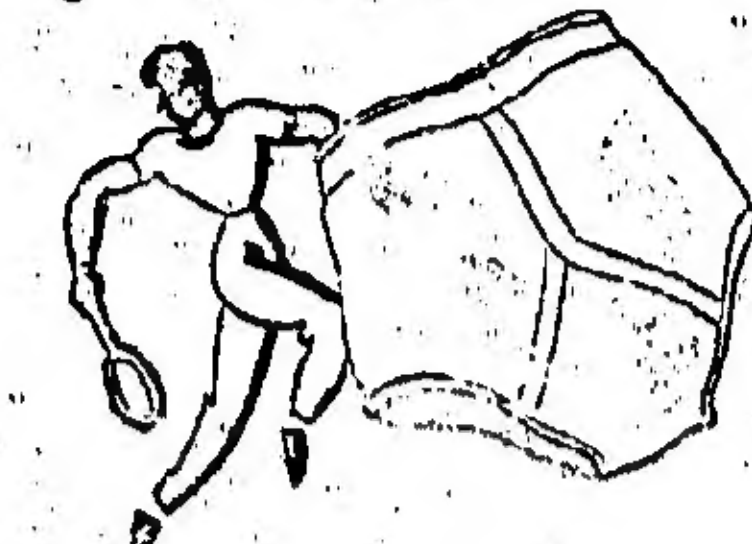
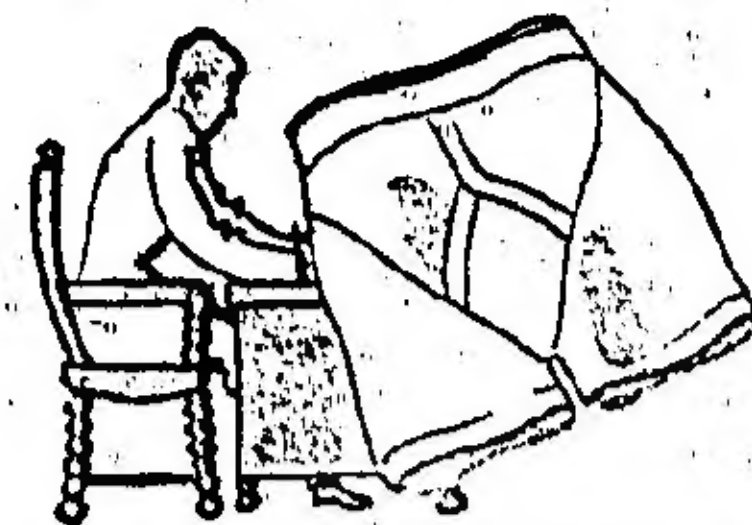
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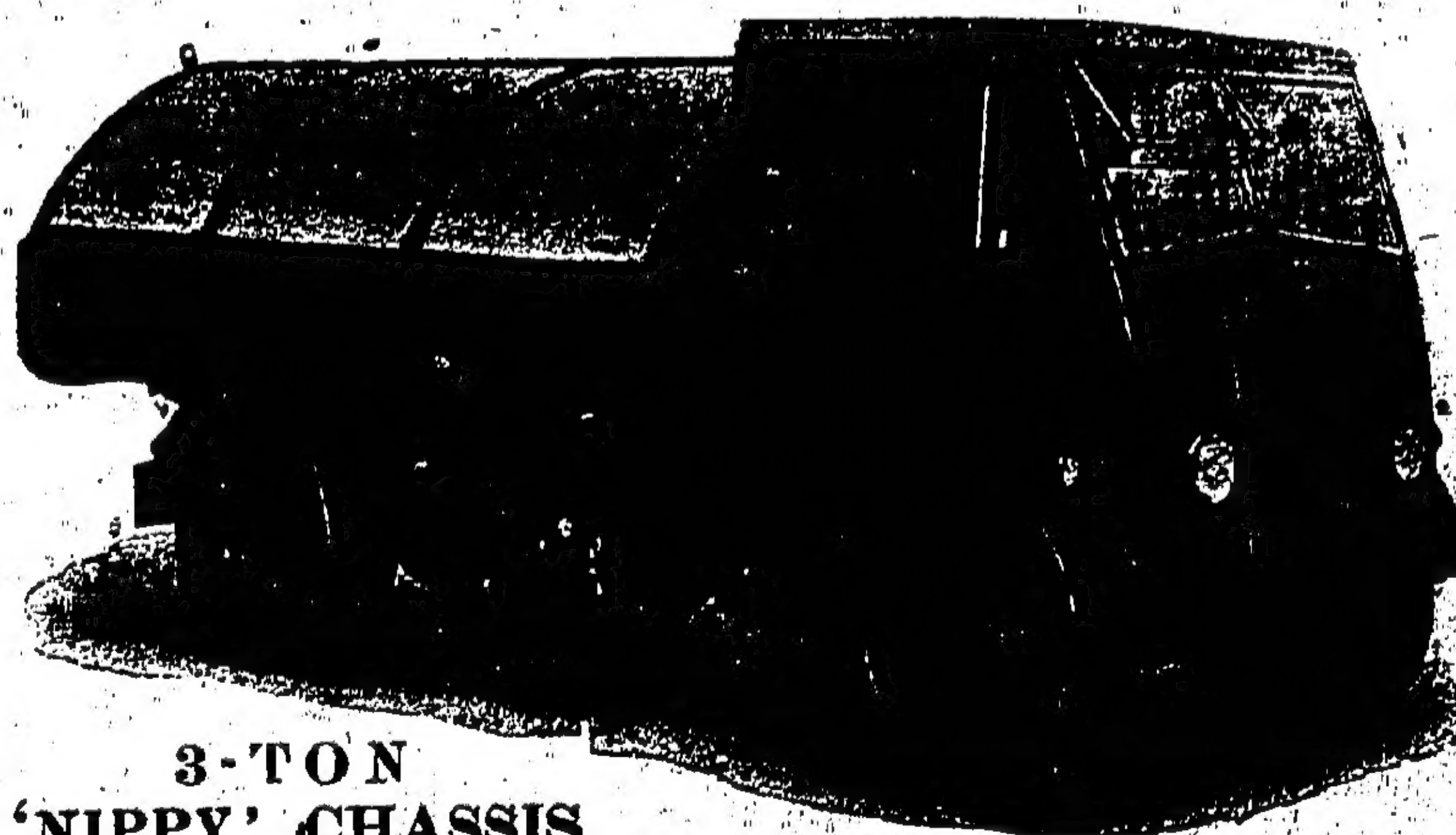
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NOTICE is hereby given that the Twenty-ninth Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Second Floor, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 24th day of April, 1940, at 11.30 a.m.

The Register of Members will be closed from Monday, the 15th day of April to Wednesday, the 24th day of April, 1940, both days inclusive.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held on the same date and at the same place at 11.45 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the above ordinary Annual Meeting shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

"That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation of 110,000 additional shares of \$10 each ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing shares in the Company."

By Order of The Board of Directors,
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Secretaries.
Hong Kong, 6th April, 1940.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 15th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	No. 2260	Adjoining Kowloon Island Lot No. 2247 at junction of Prince Edward Road & Nishan Road, Mong Kok.	As per sale plan.	About 7,480	135	22,230

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONG KONG/CALCUTTA
FREIGHT CONFERENCE.

Shippers are hereby notified that rates of freight on cargo from Hong Kong to Calcutta have been increased by 15% as from today. Present commitments will be covered if shipped within 28 days.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
Hon. Secretaries.

HONG KONG/CALCUTTA
FREIGHT CONFERENCE
10th April, 1940.

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G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

INCREASE RATES

Shippers are informed that all rates of freight on cargo to Rangoon will be increased to 40% over pre-war rates effective as from today.

All cargo booked prior to this press announcement for shipment within 28 days from date will be charged at the present rates.

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CHINA SIAM LINE.

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NOTICE

Qualified Accountant & Auditor (Ceylonese), nine years experience in Income Tax work and practice. Approved by the Commissioner of Income Tax, Ceylon, and other Government Departments. Previously employed as Accountant of the Sarawak Government State Treasury, first class credentials. Was a resident of the Straits Settlements and F.M.S. for 11 years, wishes join in partnership firm of practising Accountants in Hong Kong, or work for suitable salary. Offers invited. Specialised services guaranteed. Please apply "Tilaka" C/o this paper.

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THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS,
LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on Wednesday, the 17th day of April, 1940, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1939, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 3rd April, 1940, to Wednesday, the 17th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 15th March, 1940.

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COLONY HEALTH RETURNS

The following are the number of cases of notifiable diseases which have been reported to the Health authorities as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on April 8:—Tuberculosis 26 cases, dysentery nine, two each of cerebro-spinal fever, measles and enteric fever, and one each of diphtheria and chicken-pox (imported).

WEEKLY RETURNS

The weekly returns show that there were 85 deaths from tuberculosis out of a total of 184 cases reported. Other cases notified to the authorities for the week ended at midnight on April 6 are as follows:—Dysentery, 15 deaths (40 cases); cerebro-spinal fever, 12 deaths (22 cases); chicken-pox, seven cases (one imported); measles, one death (11 cases); enteric fever, seven deaths (13 cases); scarlet fever, two cases; diphtheria, two deaths (five cases); and small-pox, seven deaths (11 cases).

Li Kam, 25, paint scraper, was committed to the Criminal Session yesterday by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court on a charge of the murder of a refugee, Li Kan-ho. Det.-Insp. W. N. Darkin prosecuted.

The Daily Press
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HONGKONG, APRIL 10, 1940

AGGRESSION
AGAIN

ANOTHER COWARDLY blow has been struck by the German aggressor. Within the last twenty-four hours, developments in the west have taken a sensational turn with the invasion of Denmark and Norway by German troops. However much Herr Hitler's plans might have been studied by the Allies, there is no doubt that this latest aggression against two countries whose only crime was their anxiety to live in peace with their neighbours has taken the world by surprise due to the very unexpectedness of this addition to the long list of crimes for which Nazi Germany has been responsible. Political circles the world over are now pondering over the reason for this further demonstration of "unholy might against weak and innocent victims of Herr Hitler's lust for power and world domination.

FROM A MILITARY point of view the adventure into Scandinavia is at once classed as being unworthy of the so-called strategy of the German fighting forces and their leaders. Despite the fact that opposition from Denmark and Norway by themselves might not be able to cope with Herr Hitler's fighting machine, there is the vital question of the tremendous extension of his fighting front. While Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland may still lie under the Nazi heel, there is always that sullenness on the part of people conquered by brute force to make their conquerors feel that they will need to be continually watched for any attempted rising against their tyrannous masters. Then, as alliances have already proved worse than mere scraps of paper to men of Herr Hitler's calibre, there is additional cause for anxiety on the new frontier with Soviet Russia, for the Nazis can never be perfectly certain of how far the Fuehrer's hand-shake with M. Stalin will secure them against opposition in that quarter. Now with another thirty or forty divisions of troops needed to fulfil the task he has undertaken against the Scandinavian countries, Herr Hitler has further weakened his line of attack against the Allies—a line which he has been content to hold without any move towards open warfare for over six months.

WHAT ADVANTAGE then does Herr Hitler hope to achieve from his latest crime against all the laws of humanity and civilisation? One explanation appears to be that he plans to create new bases for his long promised "blitzkrieg" of the air against England, so that his air force will be able to carry out their ruthless attacks on helpless shipping and innocent civilians without having to risk flying over either French territory or offending Holland and Belgium to such an extent that might align them with the Allies. There is yet another explanation for this new adventure of armed aggression in the North, namely, that finding it necessary to revive the flagging morale of the German people, whose optimism in their leader's promises of invincibility was beginning to wane, Herr Hitler embarked on a spectacular adventure of sheer barbarity to redeem



Group photograph taken after the wedding between Inspector J. C. S. Fender, of the Hong Kong Police, and Miss S. Dempsey, of the Medical Department, at the Union Church, yesterday afternoon. On the extreme left is the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police. (Photo, King's Studio).

POPULAR H.K. POLICE
OFFICER MARRIED

Insp. J. C. S. Fender And Miss Sheila Dempsey

A LARGE NUMBER OF BROTHER OFFICERS OF INSPECTOR JOHN CALDWELL SHAW FENDER, popular member of the Hong Kong Police Force, as well as many members of the Police Reserve and other friends, were present yesterday afternoon at the Union Church on the occasion of his marriage to MISS SHEILA DEMPSEY.

The Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow officiated at the ceremony, whilst Mr. G. E. Longyear was at the organ.

The bride, who is a member of the Nursing Staff of the Medical Department, was given away by Dr. D. J. Valentine. She was attired in a delicate gown of blue lace, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and forget-me-nots.

Miss S. F. Sutton, Principal Matron of the Queen Mary Hospital, was matron of honour, and Miss Eleanor Leslie was the bridesmaid.

Sgt. William MacLeod attended the groom as best man, while Inspector J. R. MacWalter and Sub-Inspector A. Kinnear acted as groomsmen.

At a large reception given later in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel, where Mr. and Mrs. Fender received the good wishes of their friends, the felicitous toast was proposed by the Commissioner of Police, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, after a witty and complimentary speech.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay. The bride wore a going-away costume of rose pink, with navy blue accessories.

ANNOUNCEMENT
The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Lam Sheung-chung, aviation engineering instructor, residing at No. 521 Nathan Road, and Miss Yan Chui-king, of No. 122 Kennedy Road.

FIRE BRIGADE
INSPECTION IS
POSTPONED

Owing to the inability of His Excellency the Governor to be present, the inspection of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade and the Auxiliary Service on Thursday, April 11, has been indefinitely postponed.

Those who have received invitations are requested kindly to accept this notification.

some of the faith that he was beginning to lose with his people.

WHATEVER THE REAL REASON behind this hideous demonstration of frightfulness, Herr Hitler is soon to learn that once again his strategy and diplomacy is sorely at fault. The "protection" of the Scandinavian countries, as he has chosen to style his grounds for launching yet another example of his aggression, has fooled no one. The German Fuehrer will soon discover that he has taken the wrong turning this time if he has assumed that the Allies will treat this attack upon Denmark and Norway in the same way that they did Russia's invasion of Finland. The Allies have already promised their aid to Norway. There will be no question of violating neutrality, as would have become necessary if they had given active assistance to the Finns. A rapid development of the situation in Europe can now be expected, the most dangerous feature of which is that it will now become almost impossible to prevent the conflict from assuming the bigger proportions which those with the interests of world peace at heart were striving so hard to prevent.

NEWSETTES

It is understood that His Excellency the Governor will proceed on leave by air on May 12.

Mr. Fay L. Davidson, of Messrs. E. J. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Mc. Shanghai, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. M. M. Bates, of the National City Bank of New York, Shanghai, arrived in the Colony yesterday from the North.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong, solicitor and notary public, of Deacons, returned to Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. J. B. Gilroy, secretary of E. D. Sassoon Banking Co., Ltd., was an arrival in the Colony yesterday from Shanghai.

Mr. J. F. Richmond, chief accountant of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., left Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. H. L. Schultz, General Manager of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., left the Colony yesterday.

Mr. A. Brostedt, Asiatic traffic manager, Canadian National Railway, left Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. F. X. Lee, Director of the Standard Transportation Co., left the Colony yesterday.

Mr. W. Orr, of the Shipping Department of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., left Hong Kong yesterday.

Mr. S. T. Williamson, principal of Douglas, Laprak & Co., and a director of Lane Crawford, Ltd., arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Shanghai.

Cooked Food
Sale

FOODSTALLS NOW CONTROLLED

With the object of meeting the difficulties at present experienced with regard to the recesses in buildings at present being used for the sale of cooked food, the following by-law proposed by Mr. W. J. Carrie, chairman, was approved by the Urban Council yesterday in substitution of by-law 1 under the heading "Restaurants and Eating Houses."

By the amendment, the heading is altered to "Restaurants, Eating Houses and Foodstalls" and the new by-law reads as follows:—Except under and in accordance with a licence granted by the Council for a Restaurant or Eating House or for a Hawkers' Food Stall issued under Ordinance No. 22 of 1935 no person shall sell or expose for sale any articles of cooked food for man usually sold or exposed for sale ready for immediate consumption. Such licence shall be addition to any licence issued under the Liquors Ordinance 1931.

A suggestion by Mr. A. el Arculli that the words "for man" be omitted so that the by-law should have a wider coverage, was not supported and the by-law was eventually passed as tabled, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves being the seconder.

A letter from Government relative to the appointment of Mr. Li Tse-fong was tabled. In extending a welcome to the new member, the chairman said that Mr. Li was not a newcomer to the Council.

The appointment of Dr. A. M. Rodrigues to serve on the dairies and milk shops committees was approved. Dr. Rodrigues having consented to act on these committees.

The following applications were refused:—

Application for a Restaurant licence for the premises on Lot No. 6286 in front of Hui Wong Temple, Kowloon City.

Application for an Eating House licence for No. 10, Tung Sing Street, ground floor, Aberdeen.

Application for a Food Factory licence for No. 137, Reclamation Street, ground floor.

Application for a Bird Shop licence for the premises on K. I. L. No. 1134, corner of Austin Road and Nathan Road.

THOSE PRESENT

The following were present:—

Mr. W. J. Carrie (Chairman), Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. C. Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. B. E. Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. Li Tse-fong, Mr. C. J. Roe, (Secretary) and Mr. Im Ping-tseung (Asst. Secy.).

Mrs. A. E. Grasett, wife of H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., it is understood, will be leaving the Colony on May 12 for Home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Montgomery passed through Hong Kong yesterday from Shanghai. Mr. Montgomery is connected with the North British and Mercantile Insurance Co., Ltd., Shanghai.

The famous Chinese historical picture "Kum Yam Tak To" will be screened at the King's Theatre today at 9.30 p.m. when Miss So Chow-lai, the well-known Chinese film star will make a personal appearance on the stage. The show is sponsored by the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Relief Association.

MURDER ON THE HIGH SEAS MUST BE STOPPED

Protests To Germany Of No Avail NORWAY WAS RESOLVED TO UNMASK CULPRIT

LONDON, April 9 (BWS)—The Norwegian Minister was received by Lord Halifax at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

M. Colban was not the bearer of the Norwegian Government's protest which was the subject of a communique issued in Oslo this afternoon. The protest will not doubt be conveyed through the British Minister in Oslo.

The communique refers to the Anglo-Norwegian war trade agreement and suggests that the Allied action contravenes the provision therein for the maintenance of trade exchanges between Norway and Germany.

ASSISTANCE TO NORWAY

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It is authoritatively stated in London that the place where the bodies of German soldiers were washed ashore from the torpedoed German troopship absolutely disposes of the theory that Germany might have acted in retaliation for the laying of mines by the Allies since the troopship, to reach this point, must have sailed before Germany could have known anything about the mine-laying.

HEARTFELT THANKS

The statement that the Allies will stand with Norway to the last has been received with heartfelt thanks in Norwegian circles here who ardently hope that the help will be forthcoming, without delay, as it is felt that German transports, by landing men on the coast, might be able to cut off important towns in southern Norway.

WAR CABINET MEETS

The British War Cabinet met at 8.30 this morning at which the heads of the fighting services were present. The French War Cabinet also met.

Later the Prime Minister saw the Leaders of the Opposition while Lord Halifax conferred with the Danish and Norwegian Ministers.

At noon the Cabinet met again and the meeting lasted for more than an hour.

FLEET CONCENTRATION

ROME, Apr. 9 (Havas)—Orders have been given to the Norwegian fleet to concentrate in the Northern Harbour of Narvik, the local radio announced.

The broadcast added the Norwegian Government has ordered the harbour authorities in Bodø, which controls the Southern entrance to the passes leading between the Lofoten Islands and the Continent to Narvik, to close the harbour to all west-bound traffic. The Norwegian Navy, which was built for coast guard duties, comprises four small cruisers, five destroyers, and nine submarines manned only by 850 men.

NAVAL ACTIVITY

OSLO, Apr. 9 (Havas)—Brief dramatic reports reaching here indicate that serious naval activity is about to take place, and has probably already taken place, south of Norway.

Late last night the harbour authorities in Christiansand, Norway's southernmost harbour, reported that a German vessel was hit by artillery fire off Sand Island and that a few injured sailors had been landed on the mainland. No other particulars were available.

EARLY MORNING LANDING

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—A German wireless announcement confirms that Germany has invaded Denmark and Norway. A message, broadcast by the Oslo radio, was to the effect that German troops landed in Norwegian ports at 3 a.m.

TELEPHONES CUT OFF

The whole of Scandinavia is cut off from telephonic communication with London. All telephone calls between Scandinavian countries and London pass through Copenhagen.

U.S. INFORMED

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The United States Minister to Norway, Mrs. Harriman, has informed the State Department that Norway is at war with Germany. She said that she had been so informed by the Norwegian Foreign Minister.

BERGEN OCCUPIED

PARIS, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The Oslo radio announces that the Germans occupied Bergen and Trondheim.

In the agreement, however, the British Government formally reserved all belligerent rights and specifically reserved the right to intercept contraband in accordance therewith.

The Allied mining of Norwegian territorial waters is a measure taken under the interpretation of belligerent rights given in the Allied statement and as explained therein, and fully justified by Germany's persistent and constantly aggravated violation of the rules of war the dictates of humanity.

GERMANY'S POLICY

In connexion with the Allied laying of mines in Norwegian territorial waters, it is relevant to note that it becomes apparent, both from the German action on the sea and from the statement of those controlling the Nazi policy, that Germany had no intention, from the very outset of the present war, of following rules relating to the treatment of neutral shipping to which she herself subscribed in the Protocol of 1936.

In the Prize Regulations, issued on August 28, 1939, in direct contradiction of the well-recognised principle that neutral ships must not be sunk unless guilty of unneutral service, a provision was made for the destruction of any neutral vessel if it is "expedient" to bring it in.

OWN RULES VIOLATED

As late as January 25, the Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, in inspired articles, laid down hypothetical circumstances in which, in the Nazi view, neutral vessels would lay themselves open to hostile action. In fact, the Nazis did not follow the rules thus laid down by themselves because by the end of December, 80 neutral ships had been sunk by U-boats, mostly in circumstances taking them outside, even the very wide interpretation of their own rules.

PROTESTS UNAVAILING

The protests by the neutrals affected produced no results. Norway lodged eight protests but the sinkings continued. Sweden protested four times but her fishermen were still attacked.

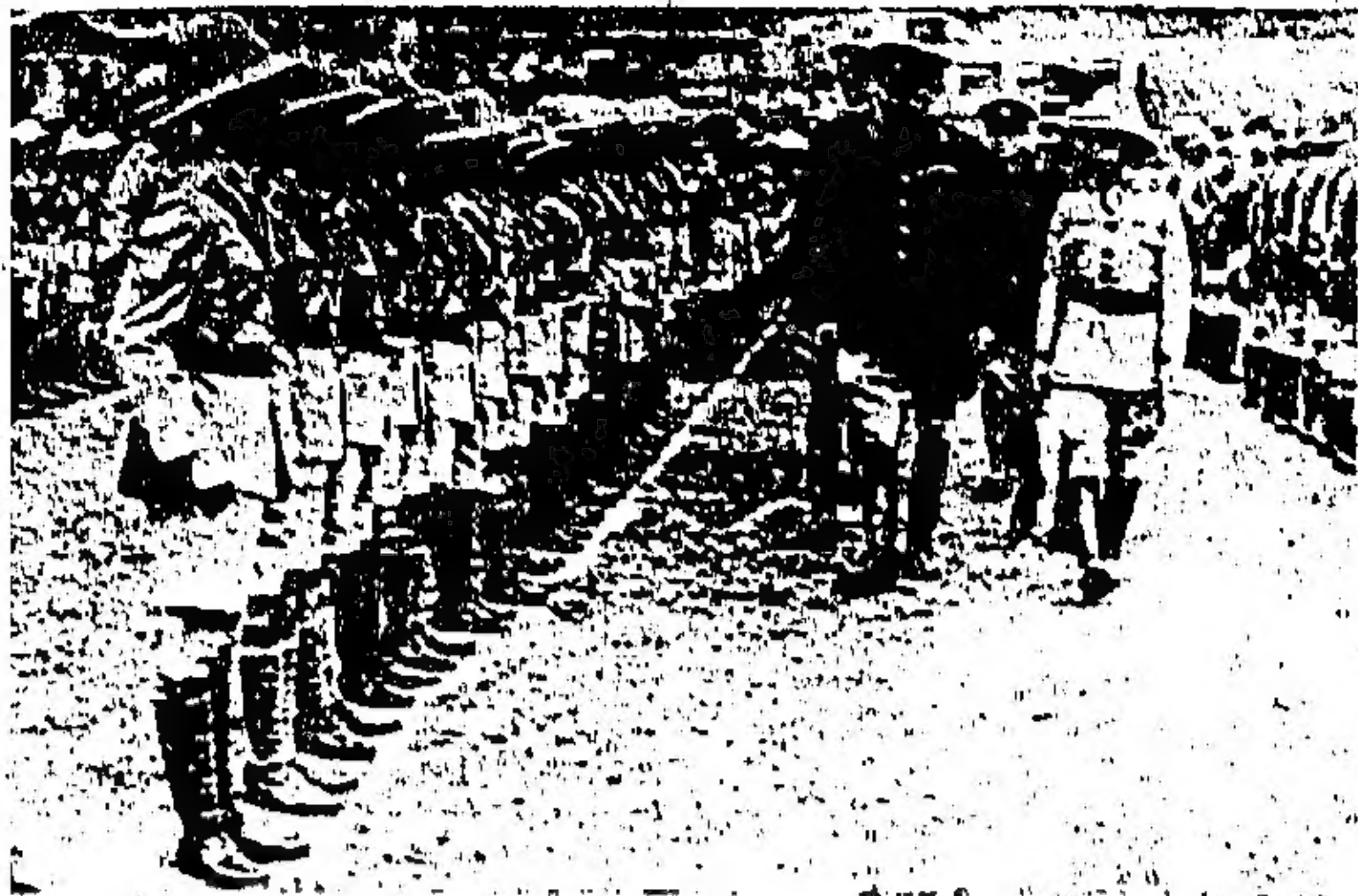
The Scandinavian papers voiced the protests of the Norwegian and Swedish peoples. The Sjoefarts Tidende, on February 7, said, "we must defend ourselves against a warfare which is worse than the ill-famed Barbary states of terror in the Mediterranean. If the British convoys offer increased security we must choose them. If something can be achieved by arming our ships we must do it."

On the same day the Aftenposten said that the "Norwegian people have hitherto remained silent to German brutality because they wanted to see if what had happened was the result of war accidents and not wilful atrocities. They now no longer doubt that these actions are deliberate and their people are reacting to brutality and demanding that protests be made. The Norwegian Government must unmask the culprit. Neutrality does not mean silence when one's own countrymen are outrageously massacred."

MUST BE STOPPED

It is clear, therefore, that many Norwegians and Swedes share the British feeling. This sinking of neutral vessels, many of which were trading between neutral ports at the time of destruction, this murder on the high seas while the Nazis themselves take full advantage of the letter of International Law, could no longer be tolerated.

The world will not be slow to grasp that it is in reply to these repeated crimes against humanity, as well as in keeping with the Nazi policy on land, sea and air, that today's Allied action was taken.



H.E. the G.O.C. Maj. Gen. A. E. Grasett, who deputised for His Excellency the Governor who was indisposed, inspecting units at the annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade at Causeway Bay on Monday afternoon. Gen. Grasett was accompanied by Lieut. R. E. T. St. John, A.D.C.

FEVER - PITCH INTEREST IN SHANGHAI POLLS

Both Camps Making Final Election Appeals

SHANGHAI, April 9 (Reuter)—With polling time less than 24 hours away, public interest in the Municipal elections—which may well decide the future of the Settlement—has reached an intense pitch.

The general feeling is expressed by the North China Daily News, which comments that to-morrow and Thursday will probably be two important days in the history of the International Settlement.

Two opposing camps, British and Americans on one hand and Japanese on the other, are making last-minute appeals by the Press, radio and pamphlets.

"WORSE AND WORSE"

NAZI TREATMENT OF NEUTRALS

LONDON, Apr. 8 (Reuter)—An editorial on neutrality appeared in the New York Herald Tribune today.

The editorial says that if the Allied pressure should ever become severe to a point of forcing the Scandinavians out of their neutral position it will be worth bearing the following two points in mind:

1.—The whole law of neutrality presupposes a limited and restricted war but in a very real sense this is not a limited war. Not only is it being fought on an economic front throughout the world but every nation in Europe knows that it is going to be ultimately affected by the outcome.

2.—Only the defeat of Germany holds out any hope of ever re-establishing any effective rule of International Law at all. If in encompassing that defeat the Allies strain the laws which the Nazis have so freely broken it will be unfortunate, but no defender of the ideal of International Law can safely raise his voice against the Allies in doing so unless he is quite certain that they can win without it.

NIGHT REVISE POLICY

A leading article in a Bergen paper the Morgenavisen, under the heading of "Worse and Worse," says it appears that the German behaviour to neutral ships is getting worse and much points to it being a mere chance as to who is bombed or not.

"Again and again we have protested against such encroachments," continues the article, "but it seems only to get worse and at the same time it is demanded that our attitude to Germany shall remain just as friendly. But the Norwegian Government ought to let the German Government understand that we may be forced to revise the whole of our standpoint to Germany, including commerce and passage, if some arrangement is not arrived at which will improve conditions."

COMPLETE BLOCKADE

LONDON, April 9 (Havas)—Thanks to the new minefields, Germany is now unable to communicate with the outside world through Norwegian territorial waters.

Pointing out the extreme importance of the measures, a naval authority declared in an exclusive interview with Havas that the Allied decision stops completely, for at least a few weeks, all shipments of Swedish iron-ore, as the harbour of Lulea, in the Gulf of Bothnia, is not yet unfrozen.

Afterwards, some shipments could be made, but the Reich will have to face heavy costs for railway transportation from Lapland to Lulea.

Another Free Nation Murdered In Cold Blood

NEW YORK, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The New York Times, in a special edition, says that, without any more warning than a gangster gives his victim, and without a shadow of justification except that of brute force, Denmark, another free nation, was murdered in cold blood this morning.

Another free nation, whose only crime was to live at peace with its neighbours, has been offered as sacrifice to one man's lust for power.

The German name is thus blackened once more with the record of an indelible crime.

STRONG CONDEMNATION
LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—The leading articles in the British evening press strongly condemned the latest German aggression and expressed deep sympathy for Denmark and Norway.

The Evening Standard says: "The Nazis have torn up a few more scraps of paper. The swiftness with which the Germans seized Norwegian territory discredits the Nazi claim that, if they did not take Norway, the Allies would do so."

"The Nazi sword cannot be wielded so easily as it was done in Eastern Europe for here the Germans have an enemy of their own size but of tougher determination," the paper concludes.

WRITING ON THE WALL

LONDON, Apr. 9 (BWS)—"Today the Allied Governments will make the most significant pronouncement of the War," states the Evening Standard, commenting on the mining of the Norwegian territorial waters.

The paper continues that "Britain requires only that the technicalities of law should not provide a case for bestial depredations."

Under the heading "The Lion Awakes," the Evening News states that the decision is bold, but necessary.

"No doubt there will be a frenzied and baffled rage in Berlin. Hands stained in blood and treachery will be lifted in gestures of sanctimonious horror," but "the nations of the world will see that the British Lion has awakened at last, and awakened with a welcome roar."

STRENGTH AND WILL

"Today they will know that we have the strength and will to use our overwhelming sea power for the restoration of order and reason in Europe."

The Star says that "to the German leaders and the German people it is a plain warning that if we move slowly we move surely towards our goal. It blows to smithereens the claim made in Germany that Germany rules the North Sea. For us it is an inevitable action. For Germany it is the writing on the wall."

COMMONS STATEMENT

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"His Majesty's Government has learned that the German Minister in Oslo early today formally demanded the surrender of Norway to Germany stating that, in the event of refusal, all resistance would be crushed."

DEMAND REFUSED

"The demand was, of course, immediately refused by the Norwegian Government (cheers) and we have now heard that fighting has already started and there are press reports that Oslo and Christiansand have been bombed. German troops have landed on Norwegian territory at various points, too."

Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said: "The German Government assert that their invasion of Norway is a reprisal for the action of the Allies in Norwegian waters. This statement, will, of course, deceive nobody (cheers) for so elaborate an operation involving the simultaneous landing at a number of ports by troops, accompanied by naval forces, requires planning long in advance."

"Information clearly indicates that it was not only planned, but already in operation, long before the mines were laid. The facts of the German occupation themselves prove what I have just said."



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NAZI PLANE SHOT DOWN NEAR MAGINOT LINE

Crack Squadron Fails To Dishearten Allies

LONDON, Apr. 9 (Reuter)—Eighteen or twenty Messerschmitt fighters were involved in yesterday's furious battle with a much smaller force of Hawker Hurricanes. The Nazi planes were of the single-engine 109 type, and the wreckage of one of them, which was brought down in Boulay Moselle, within a mile or two of the Maginot Line, has been found. Another was seen to fall, apparently crippled, but no wreckage has been located within the Allied lines to confirm a definite "bag."

In recent actions the twin-engine cannon firing Messerschmitt 110 has been tried out to the full. The change back to the earlier, but less powerful Messerschmitt 109 is evidently a sequel to the hot reception the 110 have been given.

Goering, at this stage of the war can better afford to lose the mass-produced 109, of which he has plenty than its more exclusive big brother. The switch over may be only temporary, but while it lasts the crack squadron, to which the 110's are believed to have been attached, will be thinking hard.

This squadron will probably be moved specially to the Western Front to create a big impression and whip up the waning enthusiasm of the other Fighter Squadrons. No doubt it was expected to take the heart out of the pilots flying the single-engine Hurricanes and the French Fighters but if so it has failed.

ONLY ONE PLANE

It is now learned that only one German plane was seen over Sheldons mainland, apparently on reconnaissance work.

Anti-aircraft guns were in action but no bombs were dropped.

GERMAN PLANE DOWN

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter)—The Air Ministry announce it is now known that two of the enemy planes which participated in the raid on Scapa Flow were brought down.

It is believed that a third Nazi bomber was severely damaged and was also lost.

Allied Note Explained

OSLO, Apr. 8 (Reuter)—M. Kohf, the Foreign Minister, referred to the note which Britain and France sent to Norway and Sweden on April 5.

This Note in the British version said: "His Majesty's Government understand the difficult position of the two governments owing to the threats and pressure from Germany, but they cannot but reach the conclusion that under the present circumstances, the Swedish and Norwegian Governments are not to be regarded as free organs in every respect."

The Allied note, said M. Kohf, proceeded to say that the Allied Governments could no longer tolerate the present situation, "which means that Germany receives from Norway and Sweden important war materials, and Germany benefits from advantages in those countries to the disadvantage and danger of the Allied Powers."

They consequently feel that the time has now come to state clearly to the Norwegian Government that the Allied Government will maintain certain vital claims and defend these claims in every way that they deem necessary themselves.

M. Hambro, Speaker of the Storting, expressed the hope that the Government would succeed in removing the difficulties and that "old well-tried friendships will not be too much endangered."

The Storting unanimously approved M. Kohf's speech.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

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THE Undersigned have received instructions

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Wednesday, the 10th April, 1940
commencing at 11.00 a.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central. (Room No. 205, 2nd Floor).

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Comprising:—

Brake Shoes and Linings, Roller Bearings, Springs, Repair Kits, Pistons and Connecting Rods, etc., etc.

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Friday, the 12th April, 1940
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, No. 35 Hankow Road, Kowloon.

A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

comprising:—

Chesters, Suites, Hatstands, Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Dining Tables, Chairs, Bedsteads, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Wardrobes, Teapots, Desks, Cabinets, Bookcases, Etc., etc.

Plush Carpets, Rugs, Cutlery, Curios, Ornaments, Pictures, Mirrors, Clocks, E. P. Brass, Aluminium, Porcelain and Glass Ware, Electric Table Fans and Lamps, Gramophones and Records, Cameras, Wash Basins, Crockery, Books, Coking Utensils, etc., etc.

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A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD FURNITURE

and

2 Radio Sets
1 Projector "Agfa"
1 Enlarger "Lizar"
1 Electric Refrigerator "Frigidaire"
1 Upright Piano by "Moutrie"
1 Upright Piano by "Dorner and Sohn Piano"
2 Pairs Binoculars

also

1 Fine Carved Blackwood Drawing Room Suit (8 Pieces).

On View from Thursday, the 11th April, 1940.

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What do you want?

If there is anything you want to buy or sell, try a small Classified advertisement in the Hongkong Daily Press.

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Wednesday, the 17th April, 1940
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at their Sales Room, No. 2 Connaught Road, Central. (Room No. 205, 2nd Floor).

A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS INCLUDING A FEW LOTS OF RARE OLD CHINA.

On View from Tuesday, the 16th April, 1940.

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LAMMERT BROS.,
AUCTIONEERS.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS

The Chinese Philharmonic has recently resumed weekly rehearsals under the direction of Professor Ettore Pellegatti, L.M.S., L.T.C.L., and it is their intention to arrange a short series of Charity Concerts (Classical and Variety) sometime in the month of May.

The proceeds from these Concerts will be in aid of local charities and also for the relief of distress in the war-stricken zones of China.

This Orchestra is an enthusiastic body of amateur instrumentalists who have been meeting regularly for several years in the past, and had on many previous occasions presented quite a number of musical programmes for relief work.

The Orchestra comprises over 25 members and will offer in the coming Concert, a programme of well-known overtures, classical compositions, and light works by modern composers.

Other popular local soloists will assist in this excellent cause, and the Hongkong public will have the opportunity of hearing the lesser known side of local musical life, at the same time allowing amateur musicians held for wider activities.

The exact date and location of the Concerts will be announced at a later date, as soon as the necessary arrangements are made.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., April 9.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.07 ins.
Temperature, 73 F.
Humidity, 74 per cent.
Wind Direction, W/N
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Temperature, maximum yesterday, 75 F.
Temperature, minimum last night, 64 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 14.32 ins.

Against an average of 7.13 ins.
Sunset tonight, 6.41 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6.08 a.m.

4 p.m., April 9.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.96 ins.
Temperature, 74 F.
Humidity, 66 per cent.
Wind Direction, ESE
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.
Maximum temperature, 80 F.
Minimum temperature, 63 F.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 10 to 16 Apr. 1940.

High Water		Low Water	
Date	Time	Date	Time
Wed. 10	10.15	Thu. 11	10.40
Thu. 11	10.40	Fri. 12	11.15
Fri. 12	11.15	Sat. 13	11.40
Sat. 13	11.40	Sun. 14	12.05
Sun. 14	12.05	Mon. 15	12.30
Mon. 15	12.30	Tue. 16	12.55

British Overseas Airways Meets Changed Conditions: Empire Communications

ON APRIL 1 THE BRITISH OVERSEAS AIRWAYS CORPORATION ACQUIRED THE UNDERTAKINGS OF IMPERIAL AIRWAYS LIMITED AND BRITISH AIRWAYS LIMITED.

There have been many months of preparation, and they began soon after Sir John Reith was appointed, in July 1938, to be Chairman of Imperial Airways. In November 1938, Sir Kingsley Wood, the Secretary of State for Air, announced that the two Air companies were to be merged into a statutory body.

A fortnight later the directors of the two companies announced that they had invited Mr. Leslie Runciman "to associate himself with their work."

FIRST STAGE

Sir Kingsley Wood's announcement and Mr. Runciman's acceptance of the invitation which came from both companies marked the first stage in the preparations for the coming merger. But for the war, the formal merger of the two companies would have been already accomplished. There would have been eleven members of the Corporation, and not five.

The Corporation would have set up its headquarters in Airways House, and not in a West Country hotel. Its landplanes would have taken off from Croydon and Heston, and its flying-boats from Southampton. It would be operating Continental services to Brussels, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Budapest, Berlin and Warsaw which were operated until a few days before the war. It would have maintained the pre-war frequency of services on the Empire routes. It would now be planning to carry passengers across the North Atlantic this year.

SPECIAL DIFFICULTIES

The war was not, however, an unaltered interruption in the work of British civil aviation. Special difficulties were created from the moment that the Government launched intensive armament and defence programmes. The companies soon found themselves faced with a serious fleet shortage, due chiefly to the priority which the Air Ministry felt it necessary to give to military deliveries. The expansion of the Royal Air Force also led to a scarcely less serious shortage of pilots. In addition, the mails which the companies were under contract with His Majesty's Government to carry showed considerable increase in weight, and these involved curtailments in passenger accommodation.

These factors—shortages of fleet and pilots and a steady increase in the weight of mail to be carried, particularly on the Empire routes—could not be ignored. On August 8th, Mr. Runciman announced that Imperial Airways were "forced to reduce substantially the passenger accommodation on the twenty-two thousand miles of their Empire routes." Thus, war preparations would have made 1940 a difficult year for British civil aviation, even if there had been no declaration of hostilities.

INTRODUCTION OF THE N.A.C. On the eve of the war the problems of civil aviation were transformed. The Secretary of State for Air invoked certain powers under his agreement with the companies by which their aircraft were placed at his disposal. The Air Ministry had organised a special branch known as the National Air Communications, and it was under the direction of this branch that the companies continued their operations, including their special charter work for the Government.

COMMERCIAL SERVICES

At the outbreak of war the penny-halfpenny rate for a half-ounce of mail was suspended and a prepaid rate of 1/3d for the half-ounce was imposed. In consequence, aircraft on the Empire routes carried only a small proportion of the air mail which they were carrying before the war. But they were able to carry more passengers.

Mail and passenger services were thus maintained over all the Empire routes and so helped to keep the communications of the Empire open. But, in spite of the temporary elimination of the penny-halfpenny air mail, these war-time services could not wholly meet the new and pressing demands for passenger accommodation, and the Board, mindful of the fact that there are many who need to travel quickly on Government business and in order to promote the export trade of Great Britain, intend to do all they can to ensure that this need shall be met. Moreover, plans have been made for the resumption of the British air mail service across the North Atlantic.

The Board hope in the near future to start a landplane service between London and Lisbon.

This route will be linked with the Pan American Airways' southern route across the North Atlantic. The Board also hope that before long regular air services will be run between Great Britain and the Balkan countries.

AIRCRAFT REPLACEMENT

The war has marked a suspension in the preparation for more G. class flying-boats and in the building of the Fairey 15/38 and the Short 14/38 land-planes. Deliveries and orders are now dependent upon the consent of the Department of the Air Member for Development and Production.

"FIRST THINGS MUST COME FIRST"

The Board recognise that—to repeat the sentence used by Sir Kingsley Wood in his speech on the Air Estimates—"First things must come first." They feel that civil aviation can justify itself as an instrument for the success of the Allied cause to no less degree than the Mercantile Marine. They know that to retain even those restricted services which were introduced after the war a bold policy of aircraft replacement is needed.

The interest, of course, of many departments are involved. Airways does not seek a control over policy which clearly lies with the Cabinet. It wishes to be as efficient an instrument as possible, and to be given the means to this end.

AIR COMMUNICATIONS

The importance of keeping air communications open throughout the Empire scarcely needs to be stressed. During seven critical months in Scandinavian affairs there has been a weekly air service first to Helsinki and later to Stockholm. While troops from many parts of the British Empire have been assembled under the Middle East Command, civil aircraft pass through Alexandria regularly between Great Britain, South Africa, India, Australia and the East. The services between London and Paris, now run jointly with Air France, have helped to establish the easy communications which are indispensable to two

Successful Trials

NEW NORWEGIAN MOTOR VESSEL

The Hermelin, a single screw cargo motor vessel built for Messrs. Bruusgaard, Klosterud & Co., Drammen, Norway, by the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at their Kowloon Docks, underwent successful trials yesterday afternoon.

The vessel, which was launched on November 8, is propelled by the largest Diesel engine the Kowloon Docks have built.

At the trial yesterday the Hermelin attained a speed of 13.9 knots and her engines ran very successfully.

Among the guests on board were Mr. B. Ostrum Andersen, Manager of Thorsen & Co., agents for the owners of the new ship, Capt. Thomson, Capt. G. Anderson, Mr. Westman, Norwegian Consul, Capt. J. Krogh-Moe, Wing-Commander, Maltby, Messrs. Wallace Hansen, N. Garland, J. W. Lawson, H. M. Howell, A. Crawford, A. H. Veltman, S. Berg, G. E. Costello, S. K. Helberg and Macfarlane, and also members of the Kowloon Docks staff connected with the construction of the vessel.

SHIP DESCRIBED

The Hermelin's gross tonnage is about 1,500 tons. She is built to Det Norske Veritas highest class and to conform to the latest requirements of Den Norske Skipskontroll.

There is accommodation for 10 passengers on the promenade deck.

The propelling machinery consists of one Harland-Burneister & Wain type 2-stroke single acting Marine Diesel engine built under licence by the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.

partners in modern warfare. Services to Lisbon and the Balkan countries would meet pressing needs.

Several neutral countries have made the war an opportunity for expanding their civil aviation. Germany has abandoned none of her air routes, except those through the Allied countries. Air travel, once a luxury for the few, is now a necessity for those whose duty it is to conduct the business of the Government, to promote the export trade of Great Britain and to maintain her prestige abroad. However, exacting the demands of war may become, the air communications of the Empire are vital.

PASSENGER ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

A large number of passengers arrived in, and departed from Hongkong yesterday.

Arrivals from the north included several businessmen from Shanghai and others who are visiting the Colony on vacation.

Among those who left Hongkong were 23 members of the Eastern Athletic Union, who are going to Manila where they will play a number of soccer matches with teams in the Philippines.

ARRIVALS

The following were among those who disembarked at Hongkong: Mr. Paulo Chelazzi, Mr. and Mrs. Jose Ribeiro de Melo, Mr. F. L. Davidson, Mr. M. Bates, Mr. C. L. Mowatt, Mr. H. J. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. MacDermott, Mr. J. B. Gilroy, Miss M. Knox, Mr. S. T. Williamson, Mr. Victor Bigio, Mr. E. H. Ma and Master Ma, Mr. B. C. Liu, Mr. Tung Hok-nin, Mr. C. C. Ma, Mr. Alfred See Sze-ke, Mr. T. C. Lu, Miss Alice Gregg, Mr. A. J. Pajardo, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. MacDonald, Mr. F. M. Guenard, Mr. Paul S. Golovatsky, Mr. Aldas Parsman, Mr. Edward Ma, Mr. Lee Van Ting, Mr. P. Y. Wu, Mrs. C. M. Chow, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hsiang, Master S. W. Hsiang, Mr. Thos. M. Wu, Mr. Tsui Yat-shing, Mr. J. M. Choy, Master Choy, Miss Chang Pui-ching, Mr. H. Y. Li, Mr. S. F. Chu, Mr. C. F. Hung, Mr. S. Y. Sun, Miss Cella Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Munro, Mrs. M. Seaby, Miss A. Seaby, Mrs. L. M. Crompton, Miss M. Y. Crompton, Mrs. K. Dobrzycka, Mr. A. G. Froloff, Mr. Hu Tsung-han, Mr. Chen Tso-yung, Mr. C. T. Kwan, Mr. Sung Se-sheng, Mr. Wo Yuen, Miss Leung Wo-chang, Mr. Lin Mo-kun, Mr. Wong Ka-wen, Mr. Wong Lee-leung, Miss Hsu Ling, Miss Clara Sheng, Miss Liang Li-tsu, Miss Wang Kwai-ling, Mr. Yeton Lim, Mr. Koo Kien-foo, Mr. Geo. Tse-yu, Mr. Liao Chun-ling, Mrs. Lam Sul-ih, Mr. Y. F. Chien, Mr. S. P. Phen, Mr. F. H. Chan, Mr. Shan Van-yun, Mr. Kwan Keng, Mr. Bea King Kwan, Miss Ou Mel-mei, Miss Victoria Thu, Mrs. J. H. Sun, Mr. Chu Sew-ding, Mr. Tung Chou-ang, Mrs. Wong Yok-ze, Mr. V. Lee, Mrs. K. Y. Lee, Mrs. F. S.

DEPARTURES

The following were among those who left Hongkong yesterday: Mr. J. F. Richmond, Miss Mabel Wong, Mr. H. L. Schultz, Mrs. F. F. Velasco, Mr. Mai Tao-heng, Mr. A. Brostedt, Mr. and Mrs. Fung Ping-fan, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. Lee, Mrs. Low Peck-lin, Mr. Yu Khe-jim, Mr. F. A. Abraham, Mrs. C. L. Wilcox, Mrs. Cora Lyle, Mrs. B. Stabell, Mr. A. Tangeraas, Sister Matilde, Sister Marie, Sister Marie Fitzpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Au Nai-chow, Miss Lee Yee-nin, Miss Mo Tai-yin, Mr. Chou Tai-kwang, Mr. J. C. Feigel, Mr. Lim Jui Chang, Mr. S. P. Perry, Mrs. Lim Tien, Mr. B. Kim, Mr. J. W. Howells, Mr. W. J. Reid, Capt. H. A. Murphy, Mr. J. Kroppa, Mr. Tan Chat, Mr. Kok Chong-fook, Mr. Haw Kun, Mr. Lo Sing-fong, Mr. H. D. Samarat, Mr. Goffred, Hamme, Mr. E. R. Ellis, Mr. F. W. Fielding, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kelly, Mr. W. Orr, Mrs. G. de Ingles.



THOSE WHO KNOW, SAY
IT'S THE SCOTCH.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

PARADES

2nd Battery
Apr. 10: (i) H.Q. 5 p.m. Training Exercise. Right Section D.E.L. ("A") and B.C. Staff as detailed, under Lt. K. M. A. Barnett. (ii) H.Q. 10.45 p.m. Left Section D.E.L. ("B") and relief B.C. Staff as detailed under 2nd Lt. S. J. C. Burt. Dress as detailed above.

3rd Battery

Apr. 10: Training Exercise. All Ranks. (i) First detail. H.Q. 4.30 p.m. Second detail. H.Q. 10.30 p.m. Dress: As detailed above.

4th Battery

Apr. 12: Queen's Pier, 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Gun D.E.L. personnel "A" relief, B.C. Staff "B" relief. Dress: As detailed above.

5th A Battery

Apr. 11: (i) Queen's Pier, 5.15 p.m. No. 2 Section. Dress: Overalls. (ii) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Section. Dress: Jacket and trousers. General drill.

Mobile Column

Apr. 12: H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A, B and C Classes. Musketry and Rifle drill. Those detailed. N.C.O.'s Promotion examinations.

No. 1 Company

Apr. 11: Training Exercises. For details see Company circular.
Apr. 12: Squad No. 4. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. for Kennedy Road Range. Remainder, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. as Company programme.

No. 2 Company

Apr. 11: H.Q. 1.45 p.m. Training Exercises. Dress—Fighting Order. Rifle will be carried by all personnel except Gun Nos. 1 and 2.

No. 3 Company

Apr. 10: H.Q. 1.45 p.m. Dress—Steel helmets, jackets, shorts, full equipment.
Apr. 11: H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Those detailed. There will be no Company parade.

No. 5 Company

Apr. 11: H.Q. 2 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts, respirators, 1s and 2s on guns will not carry rifles.

No. 6 Company

Apr. 10: H.Q. 1.45 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts, respirators, 1s and 2s on guns will not carry rifles.

No. 7 Company

Apr. 9: H.Q. 2 p.m. Training Exercise. Dress—Fighting Order. Steel helmets, shorts.
Apr. 11: H.Q. 5.45 p.m. L.G. training I.A. Stoppages and Section drill.

Army Service Corps Company
Parades: Nil except as under.
Training Exercises, 9.40 to 12.40. Inclusive. Those detailed from Transport Section will report for duty to the C.S.M. at H.Q. on dates and times ordered: Dress—K.D. jacket, trousers, S.D. cap, boots, belt, haversack, respirator. Corps Rifles Meeting, 14.40.

Members competing should communicate with Lt. Strellett if they require any information.

Field Ambulance

Apr. 10: Murray Parade Ground, 5.30 p.m.
Apr. 12: St. Paul's College, 5.30 p.m.

APPOINTMENT

Gnr. G. A. L. Plummer, 5th A.A. to be L/Bdr., 28.3.40.

TRANSFERS

Gnr. L. A. R. Duncan from 1st Bty. to A.S.C. Coy., 9.3.40.
Gnr. W. L. Yang from 5th A.A. Bty. to Unit Res., 3.4.40.
L/Cpl. L. A. Hurlow from M.M.G. Pl. to Mob. Col. H.Q., 5.4.40.

CORPS ORDERS—AMENDMENT
Corps Orders No. 25/40, Para. 6, Leave: Sgt. J. L. Usley, 1st Bty. for period "24.4.40-5.4.40" read "18.4.40-31.5.40". Gnr. W. L. Yang, 5th A.A. Bty. for period "11.3.40-10.5.40" read "11.3.40-10.3.41".

Annexure to Corps Orders No. 23-40 of the 15.3.40: 5th A.A. Bty. for "5 p.m. Wed. Apr. 10 to 8.30 a.m. Thurs. Apr. 11" substitute "5 p.m. Tues. Apr. 9 to 8.30 a.m. Wed. Apr. 10".
This cancels the previous amendment in Corps Orders No. 24/40 of the 21.3.40.

LEAVE

Pte. C. M. Lee, No. 7 Coy., 31.12.39 to 30.3.41; Gnr. F. Burrell, 2nd Bty., 1.4.40 to 30.9.40; Pte. S. M. Garrard, No. 1 Coy., 1.4.40 to 1.12.40; Pte. T. A. Kuester, No. 1 Coy., 1.4.40 to 1.5.40; Gnr. J. Hart-Davis, 2nd Bty., 8.4.40 to 17.4.40; Gnr. N. P. Fox, 2nd Bty., 11.4.40 to 10.10.40; Pte. J. R. L. Stanton, Corps H.Q., 15.4.40 to 14.10.40.

STRENGTH-DECREASE

Gnr. A. F. Xavier, 3rd Bty., 20.3.40.
Gnr. W. B. Richardson, 2nd Bty., 23.3.40.
Spr. W. J. McKinna, Fd. Coy. Engineers, 10.4.40.

STRENGTH-INCREASE

Pte. J. C. C. Matthews, No. 1 Coy., 5.3.40; Gnr. W. C. Kwok, 5th A.A. Bty., 12.3.40; Pte. N. G. Hammond, M.M.G. Pl., 18.3.40; Gnr. Lee Wing Yan, 5th A.A. Bty., 26.3.40; Pte. Joseph Lam, Fd. Ambulance, 29.3.40; Pte. Mark Van Ming, Fd. Ambulance, 29.3.40; Pte. Jong Siu Ki, No. 7 Coy., 1.4.40.

E. N. THURSBY, Captain.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.
Mrs. A. E. Grasett has kindly consented to become Honorary Command Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

The next lecture will be held on Friday, April 12 at 5.30 p.m. in the St. John's Cathedral Hall. The subject will be "Home Nursing" and it is hoped that all members will endeavour to attend.
The undermentioned member was attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—Miss I. Bibbard, 28.3.40 to 1.4.40.

It has been decided to hold an "Emergency" practice for the Nursing Detachment, at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road on Tuesday, April 9 at 5.30 p.m. All members taking part have been notified by circular. Those who are unable to go direct to the Military Hospital will be provided with transport from Volunteer H.Q. between 6-5.30 p.m. All members must provide themselves with white shoes and stockings, and be prepared to remain on duty for three hours.

Mrs. V. Simon White is appointed Quartermaster with effect from 5.4.40.

Sgt. J. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

COMPULSORY SERVICE TRIBUNAL

It is hereby notified for general information that a public session of the Compulsory Service Tribunal appointed by His Excellency the Governor, under the Compulsory Service Ordinance, No. 32 of 1939, will be held in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat, at 4.30 p.m. on Monday, April 15.

Appearing before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday charged with the theft of \$10, Sheng Siu-36, unemployed, was committed to the Criminal Sessions. Det. Sgt. C. Byron prosecuted.

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

TUESDAY 19 APRIL							
Buyers	Sellers	Size	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Size	Nominal
Banks							
		\$1485	H.K. Banks				\$1480
			Do. (Col. Reg.)				294
			Chartered Bank				293
			Maritime Bank				231
			Bank of East Asia				219
			N. C. & S. Bank				80 cts.
			Insurance				
			Canton Insurance				\$230
			Union Insurance				\$500
			Underwriters				80 cts.
			H.K. Fire				\$174
			Shipping				
			Douglas				\$155
			Steamships				\$102
			Indo-China (Prof.)				\$100
			Indo-China (Def.)				\$120
			Shells				75/8
			Waterways				\$7.60
			Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
			H.K. & S. Wharves				\$100
			Provision				\$4.45
			Provision (new)				
			H.K. Docks & Rts.				\$214
			H.K. Docks & Rts. do Rts.				\$61
			Shanghai Docks & Rts.				\$38
			Mining				
			Kailash				19/0
			Banks				\$2.65
			Venezuela Gold Field				\$4
			Hong Kong Mines				
			Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
			H.K. Hotels				\$5.30
			H.K. Lands				\$37
			Do. 4% Debenture				\$100
			Shanghai Lands				\$14.10
			H.K. Realities				\$4
			Humphreys				\$7.90
			Chinese Estates				\$103
			Cotton Mills				
			Ewo. (S.)				\$45
			S'hai Cottons (S.)				\$190
			Zong Sing (S.)				\$35
			Wing On Textile (S.)				\$100
			Public Utilities				
			Tramways				\$17
			Peak Tram (old)				\$4
			Peak Tram (new)				\$4
			Star Ferry				\$68
			Yantai Ferry				\$25
			Do. (new)				
			China Lights (O)				\$8
			China Lights (New)				\$5.20
			China Lights Rts.				\$65
			H.K. Electric				
			Macao Electric				
			Sandakan Light				
			Telephones (old)				\$29
			Telephones (new)				\$10.90
			Tractions (new)				\$1/0
			Tractions (pref.)				
			Industrials				
			Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.				\$1
			Cald. Macg. (Ord.) S.				\$1
			Canton Loan				\$17
			Cement				\$6
			Ropes				
			Miscellaneous				
			Dairy Farm				\$21
			Dairy Farm				\$21
			Ch. 2% Debenture				\$6.80
			Construction				\$1.65
			Construction (new)				
			Loose Craydons				\$8
			Nanyang Tobacco				\$34
			Sinacore				\$2
			Watsons				\$9.15
			Ch. G. 5% 1925 S.B.D.				\$5
			H.K. Gov. 4% Loan				\$10
			H.K. Gov. 3% Loan				\$4
			H.K. Wing On				\$14
			S'hai Wing On				\$8
			Vibro Piling				\$14/0
			Marsman Inv. (H.K.)				\$1
			Marsman Inv. (H.K.)				\$1
			Wm. Powell				
			*Sales to Shanghai				

Finance and Commerce

BRITISH BANK SPEECHES

Readjustment Of Economy To Strain Of War

THE READJUSTMENT OF THE BRITISH ECONOMY TO THE STRAIN OF WAR AND THE NEW PROBLEMS FACING BOTH THEIR OWN INSTITUTIONS AND THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE were the principal topics of discussion at the recent annual meetings of British banks. Quietly but none the less eloquently the chairmen told of the effects upon the banks of the call to the fighting services. All the banks, large and small, shared with other British businesses the loss of employees, in one case nearly one-eighth of the entire male personnel.

The serious dislocation caused by such a transfer of staff, at a time of office decentralization and emergency calls upon banking facilities, can be imagined. The speed and skill with which adjustments were made indicate that in this, as in other matters, the British banks typify the whole of Great Britain.

The general economic structure of the country has gone through a similar period of change in response to the new conditions. Mr. Colin F. Campbell, Chairman of the National Provincial Bank, pointed out that "seen in proper perspective the first few months of the war constitute a period of readjustment of the whole of the nation's economy. That this process is being accomplished with a minimum of serious dislocation reflects great credit on those who many months ago were obliged to formulate plans which in the nature of things it was impossible to try out in practice before a state of emergency arose. Mistakes there have been, and it is well that public criticism has assisted to remedy them."

"It seems to me, however," that there is the risk of danger in over criticism, for it not only tends to undermine the confidence of those who may be doing their best in difficult circumstances, but also discredits just and necessary criticism."

EXPORT TRADE

Emphasis was placed by all the speakers on the necessity for increasing British export trade, avoiding excessive price increases and providing adequate financial means for the conduct of the war. The Chairman of the Westminster Bank, the Hon. Rupert E. Beckett, pointed out the opportunities which now await British exporters and of which advantage should be taken without delay.

"From a great part of the Western world, Germany has been virtually ruled out as a trader, through the vigilance of our Navy. This means the removal of a formidable competitor especially as the exports of ourselves and Germany, both highly industrialized countries, are similar in character. But this is not all. Other European countries also find their exports jeopardized by Germany's methods on the high seas, and some curtailment has naturally followed.

"Countries contiguous to Germany, and large customers of hers mainly for that reason, find German pressure to trade with her often against their own national interests and political inclinations, and trade conducted in sterling has obvious advantages over barter, transactions. Many South American countries, too, formerly large customers of Germany, now find that market for both imports and exports closed to them, and must look elsewhere for trade development; their sympathies frequently incline them to turn to Britain to fill the gap. All these factors, then, combine to open up favourable avenues for our trade which in normal circumstances would never have presented themselves on so great a scale.

WELL AWARE

"But important neutral countries which are not preoccupied as we are with provision for actual warfare, are also well aware of these opportunities, and have more time and attention to give to their exploitation, so that although we have lost one formidable competitor, others will not be slow to enter the field. We shall need all our foresight, energy, and resourcefulness to win further trade through these outlets, but I have hopes that we shall succeed."

Mr. Campbell discussed the determining effect of the price factor in foreign trade and the importance of the efforts being made by the Government to pre-

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

An air of quietness still abounds, though enquiries are on a better scale than yesterday.

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1480.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$174.
H.K. Docks, Cum. Rts., \$214.
H.K. Docks X. Rts., \$184.
H. & S. Hotels, \$5.
H.K. Tramways, \$173.
Electrics, \$85.30.
Cements, \$17.
Watsons, \$9.15.
Wm. Powell, \$1.
Entertainments, \$8.80.

SELLERS

H.K. Fire Ins., \$174.
H.K. Docks, Cum. Rts., \$22.
H.K. Docks X. Rts., \$184.
H.K. Tramways, \$173.
Electrics, \$85.
Telephones (O), \$29.
Telephones (N), \$10.95.

SALES

H.K. Banks, \$1485.
Bank of E. Asia, \$74.
Union Ins., \$500.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$171.
H.K. Wharves, \$100.20/100.
H. & S. Hotels, \$5/5.05.
H.K. Lands, \$364.
H.K. Tramways, \$173.
Electrics, \$85/65.
Dairy Farms, \$21.35.
Watsons, \$9.22.

MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atokas 17s, Antamok 12s, Baguio Gold 22s, Batong Buhay 01s, Big Wedge 18s, Coco Grove 10s, Con. Mines 003s, Demonstration 08 1/2, I.X.L. 33s, Ipo Gold 09 1/2, Itogon Mining 21s, Masbate Con. 09 1/2, Mine Operations 08 1/2, North Gamarines 05s, Paracale Gummaus 17 1/2, San Maricelo 65s, Surigao Con. 20s, Suyoc Con. 12 1/2, Syndicate Inv. 017b, United Paracale 25s, Mindanao Motherlode 09b.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, April 9, 1940.

A.S. Watsons	500	\$ 9.22
China Lights (O)	500	9.25
China Lights (N)	500	8.00
Dairy Farms	100	21.35
H.K. Electric	100	85.75
H.K. Wharves	100	100.00
Unions Ins.	2	500.00
Itogons	5,000	0.50
	7,532	

*Sale on Monday, the 8th inst. The total value is \$89,158.00.

GERMAN TRANSPORT TORPEDOED

OSLO, April 9 (Reuter).—A German military transport, with three hundred men aboard, was torpedoed near Christiania, Norway. It is added that 150 lives were lost.

Mineral Development In Szechwan

Through a number of its subsidiary organs, the Ministry of Economic Affairs has mapped out comprehensive plans for the exploitation of the gold, iron, copper, lead, zinc, silver, mercury and antimony deposits in various parts of Szechwan.

For gold, eighteen state gold mining areas are being marked out, six of which are in the upper reaches of the Min River, two along the Great and Small Golden Sand rivers, two in the Ta Tu river basin, four in the headwater of the Kialing River, the remaining four on the upper Yangtze. If work starts in these areas simultaneously, they can produce 40,000 more ounces of gold every year for Free China.

GOLD WEALTH

The National Government, in its effort to exploit Szechwan's gold wealth, is in no way competing with provincial and private interests. It assists them in operating the mines that are being worked. They are, however, told to concentrate their efforts in gold-washing and in exploiting smaller mines, as their technical and financial capacities are rather limited.

Ten spots with good mining prospects along the Min, the Yangtze, the Kialing, the Tu and the Ta Tu river valleys, have been assigned to provincial authorities for development. Attention is also given to goldmining by private interests. A sum of \$3,000,000 will be appropriated by the Ministry of Economic Affairs to back enterprising businessmen in the gold mining industry. The Chinese Industrial Cooperatives, in its general meeting last summer, also decided to establish a number of groups for goldwashing and small-scale gold-mining in Szechwan, Yunnan and Sikang.

Before the war, Szechwan, including many parts of what has now become Sikang Province, produced some 30,000 ounces of gold annually out of a total China production of little more than 100,000 ounces.

Regarding iron, in addition to the mine at Kikiang south of Chungking which is capable of producing 300 tons of ores every day, a new iron mining area has been created at Fuling. It is estimated that before long, the yearly output of iron and steel in Szechwan, using both old and new methods, can be raised to 150,000 tons. The iron production plan starting in 1940 is on a three-year basis.

COPPER DEPOSITS

For the development of the copper deposits in Szechwan, the same ministry has also worked out a three-year plan, starting in 1940, the native methods of production will be improved, several new mines will be worked, and a refinery will be built to produce five tons of fine copper every day.

Lead, zinc and silver are often found together in the Yalpo-Mapien-Opien area on the Szechwan-Yunnan border. Definite

SIKANG PRODUCTS' EXHIBITION

The interest of the Chinese people in the development of Sikang is shown by their presence despite bad weather at a three-day exhibit of the art and products of that province, in Chungking which began March 18. The exhibit is sponsored by the China Scientific Institute and the association for the study of frontier problems.

Divided into sections of photos, antiques, instruments, art and education, the exhibit throws new light on the possibilities of opening up this province not only from economical, but also from social and political standpoints. It convinces the visitors that Sikang after all, is not a land of wilderness and the country of "barbarians." It is the virginland of West China awaiting systematic development.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Economic Affairs has decided to appropriate \$500,000 for the development in Sikang of such industries as spinning and weaving, tanning and paper making. Attention will also be given to the preservation of forests, the planting of mulberry trees and the rearing of silkworms. In addition, the ministry is planning to work on the coal, gold and iron in three different places in Sikang.

U.S. EXPORTS TO ALLIES

NEW YORK, Apr. 8 (Reuter).—During the first six months of the war there was a big increase in United States exports to Britain and France and a big falling off in those to Germany.

Up to the end of February the total value of exports from the United States rose by one-third (\$487,000,000). Of these the value of the total exports to Germany was \$175,000 or \$18,000,000 less than corresponding figure for 1938. The exports to Britain totalled \$73,000,000 and to France over \$37,000,000.

The British figure represents an increase of 15 per cent. The purchases of aeroplanes by the Allies amounted almost to \$23,000,000.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, April 8.		Chosen Corporation	6/6
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.		Pekin Syndicate	1/6
		S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15
		S'hai Waterworks "A"	15 1/2
		Union Insurance	29 1/2
		Gula Kahumpong Rubber	18/9
		Allied Ironfounders	14
		Asso. & Elec. Industries	38/10 1/2
		Austin Motors, ord.	16
		Cable & Wireless, New	
		Form, ord.	61
		B-A. Tob. (bearer)	107/6
		Mexican Eagle	12 1/2
		Cannell Laird, ord.	7/3
		Mexican Eagle	6 7/8
		Courtaulds	39/4
		Distillers	88/9
		Dunlop Rubber	36/9 1/2
		Gen. Electric (England)	79/10 1/2
		Guinness (A) Son & Co.	79/3
		Hawker Siddeley Airc.	12/10 1/2
		Bristol Aeroplane	15
		Imperial Chemical Ind.	31/7 1/2
		Imperial Tobacco	118/9
		Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord.	52/1 1/2
		Rolls Royce	90
		Leyland Motors	75
		Tate & Lyle	54/3
		Turner & Newall	65/1 1/2
		United Steel	23/4
		Smethwick Drop Forge	15
		Armstrong Stevens, ord.	6
		Pressed Steel, com.	17/4
		Vickers, ord.	17/7 1/2
		Woolworths	64/4
		Anglo-Dutch	23/3
		Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust	31
		Burma Corporation	9/4 1/2
		Commonwealth Mining	—
		Marsman Investments	74
		Randfontein Estates	39/4 1/2
		Western Holdings	17/6
		Sub-Nigel	108/0
		Tanami Gold Mining	6d.
		Anglo-Iranian	53/9
		Burmah	70/7 1/2
		Shell Trans. & Trad.	
		(bearer)	76/3
		*Nominal	
		—ex-dividend	
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)	99-9/16		
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	15		
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	58		
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	52		
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	50		
Chinese 5% Crisis Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	29		
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1912	39		
Chinese 6% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	11		
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	50		
Honan Rly. 5%	15		
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	19		
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	17		
Lung T'ing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	13		
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5%	21		
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	13		
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	13		
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	13		
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	13		
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907	50		
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924	53 1/2		
Ger. 7% Intl. Loan, 1924	8		
Chartered Bank	9 1/2		
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	94 1/2		
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	93 1/2		
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	19		

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 9, 1940.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/3 13/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/3 13/16
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 1/8

On Shanghai:—
On demand 350.
On Singapore:—
On demand 52 1/2

On Japan:—
On demand 92 1/2

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 1/4
and demand 1/2 1/4

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 21 3/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 22 5/8

On Batavia:—
On demand 40 1/2

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 1085
Credits 4 months' sight 1140

On Saigon:—
On demand 108 1/4

On Manila:—
On demand 43 1/2

On Bangkok:—
On demand 150

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/4
Bar Silver per oz. 20 1/8

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 20 1/8 for both Ready and Forward. Silver futures reported the market as being very quiet but steady. A small business was done. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2 New York/London was quoted at 355 1/2.

Market
Quiet.

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/27/8 April/August and 1/27/32 September/January, buyers at 1/22/32 Cash and 1/27/8 September.

U. S. Dollars
Easier. Business was done during the early part of the morning at 22 for Cash followed by transactions at 21 13/16 July. Towards 1 p.m. offers at 21 15/16 were accepted for April delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 21 15/16 Cash; 21 7/8 May, 21 13/16 June and 21 3/4 July, buyers at 22 for Cash, 21 15/16 first half May, 21 7/8 June and 21 13/16 July.

Shanghai Dollars
Business was done at 259 3/4 and also 360. Towards 1 p.m. there were probable sellers at 359 3/4 for Spot, buyers at 360.

Shanghai Market
Sellers of Sterling at 4 1/8 for Spot and U.S. \$ at 6 3/32 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET
The Sterling market was quiet in the afternoon but the U.S. Dollar market weakened.

Sterling
The market closed with sellers at 1/27/8 April/August and 1/27/32 September/December, buyers at 1/22/32 Cash and 1/27/8 September.

U. S. Dollars
Business was done early in the afternoon at 21 15/16 for April and towards the close offers at 21 7/8 were accepted for April delivery followed by a small business at 21 11/16 June. The market closed with probable sellers at 21 7/8 Cash, 21 13/16 April, 21 3/4 May and 21 11/16 June, buyers at 21 15/16 Cash, 21 7/8 April, 21 13/16 May and probably 21 3/4 June.

Shanghai Dollars
Business was done at 360 1/4. At the close there were sellers at 359 1/2.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Apr 9 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/4	5-7/8
New York	22-7/8	22-1/8
Japan	23-7/8	23-1/8
India	2-9/4	2-9/4
Paris	26-3/4	26-3/4

U.S. Dollars

	Opening	Closing
Spot	21-3/32	21-3/32
Apr.	21-3/32	21-3/32
May	21-3/32	21-3/32
June	21-3/32	21-3/32
July	21-3/32	21-3/32
Aug.	21-3/32	21-3/32
Sept.	21-3/32	21-3/32
Oct.	21-3/32	21-3/32
Nov.	21-3/32	21-3/32
Dec.	21-3/32	21-3/32

Merchant Rates

Sterling 0/4-3/32.
U.S. Dollars, 26.
Silver Duty Rate.
The Central Bank of China's

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER

	Previous	April 8	Change
S.P.O.T.	35-7/8	36 cts.	35-3/4 off 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	34-5/8	34-3/4	34-3/4 up 1/8
OCT.-DEC.	34-1/4	34-3/8	34-1/4 unch.

LONDON RUBBER

	Previous close	Today's close	Change
S.P.O.T.	10-7/8	10-15/16	up 1/16
M.A.Y.	10-7/8	11	up 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	10-7/8	11	up 1/8
OCT.-DEC.	10-13/16	10-15/16	up 1/8
	10-13/16	10-7/8	up 1/16

The market was quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON: Small Southern liquidation was absorbed by scattered domestic and foreign Trade interests. The weather in the cotton belt was favourable.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The market reflected reports for possible interruption with shipments in the Pacific and the tightness of the shipment market. There has been considerable realizing on the advance.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Reports of further moisture caused early easiness, but prices rallied on evening-up by local interests expecting a government report tomorrow. There has been some replacement of sold-out lines on news of more intensified warfare and on the belief that the rainfall was insufficient to relieve the situation and much more is direly needed.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 151.10; Today's close, 151.29; Change, up .19.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.68	10.61	10.63	.04 up
New York Rubber, May	18.57	18.42	18.49	.02 off
Chicago Wheat, May	104 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	1 up
Chicago Corn, May	57 1/2	56 1/2	57 1/2	1 up
New York Hides, June	13.98	13.81	13.80	.05 up

NEW YORK COTTON

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	10.63/63	10.65/66	10.67/68	.04 up
July	10.38/40	10.43/43	10.45/45	.07 up
July (New contract)	10.54 N	10.58/58	10.60 N	.06 up
October	9.87/87	9.89/89	9.89/89	.06 up
December	9.70/70	9.73/73	9.75/75	.05 up
January	9.66 N	9.69/69	9.70 N	.04 up
March	9.56 N	9.60/60	9.60 N	.04 up
Spot	10.85 N		10.88 N	.03 up

Total sales Saturday: 46,800 bales.

First notice day for cotton: 1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	18.42/42	18.43b/50a	18.40b/43a	.02 off
July	17.80b/34a	17.88b/33a	17.82/82	.02 up
September	17.67/67	17.70b/77a	17.65 N	.02 off
December	17.45b/50a		17.45b/50a	unch.
January	17.43 N		17.43 N	unch.

Total sales: 990 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	104 1/2/104 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	104 1/2/104 1/2	1 up
July	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	1 off
September	103 1/2/103 1/2		102 1/2/103	1 off

Saturday's sales: 25,880,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	57/57	56 1/2/56 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2	1 up
July	58 1/2/58 1/2		58 1/2/58 1/2	unch.
September	59 1/2/59 1/2		59 1/2/59 1/2	1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

	High	Low	Close	Change
May	88 1/2/88 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	1 up
July	90/90		90 1/2	1 up
October	91 1/2/91 1/2		91 1/2/91 1/2	1 up

NEW YORK HIDES

	High	Low	Close	Change
June	13.80/80	13.85/85	13.85/86	.05 up
September	14.02/02	14.08/07	14.10/10	.08 up
New York Official			34-3/4	
NY-London Cross Rate			3.58-1/4	

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Apr. 8 (Reuters).

TIN

Standard, Cash, 250-1/4, 250-1/2

Standard, 3 months 247-3/4, 249

Standard, Settlement Price 250-1/2

Strait 270-1/2 to 275-1/2

rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2

The Equalisation rate was 5-1/2 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Apr. 8 (Reuters).

Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 95-02-0.

New York Exchange

New York, Apr. 8 (Reuters).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 3.57-3/8.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Apr. 8 (Reuters).

T.T. on Japan, 88-1/8.

LONDON GOLD

London, Apr. 8 (Reuters).

Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 188.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATION
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

APRIL 9, 1940.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	8 1/2	Lahey Foundry & Mfg.	44 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	24 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	51 1/2
Allied Stores	37 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	38 1/2
Allis Chalmers	9 1/2	Loew's Inc.	38 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	106	Loft Incorporated	38 1/2
Amer. Can.	115	Mack Truck Inc.	27 1/2
American Cyanamid	39 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	45 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	29
Amer. Locomotive	22	Monsanto Chemical	113 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	23 1/2	Montgomery Ward	54 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	National Aviation	15 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	18 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	17 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	20 1/2	Nat. Distillers	23 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2	National Gypsum	11 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	91 1/2	National Lead	21 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	11 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8
Anaconda Copper	30 1/2	National Steel Corp.	88
Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe.	24 1/2	National Supply Corp.	9
Auburn Motors	13	New York Central	18
Aviation Corp.	7 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	7 1/2	N. American Aviation	25 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	18 1/2	North American Co.	23 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	12	Northern Pacific	8 1/2
Bendix Aviation	35 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	63 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	81 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	34
Bliss & Co.	17	Pacific Lighting	48 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	26 1/2	Packard Motors	33
Borg-Warner	24 1/2	Pan-American Airways	23 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	12	Paramount Pictures	8 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	23 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Brooklyn-Mhattan Trans.	100	Phelps-Dodge	37 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan "B"	6	Phillips Petroleum	39 1/2
Case, J.I.	33	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	8 1/2
Celanese	41	Public Service of N.J.	43 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	41	Pulman Inc.	27 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	90 1/2	Pure Oil	10 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	40	Radio Corp. of Am.	7
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	80 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	17 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	74	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25
Columbia 5% "A" pf.	93 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	41 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	46 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	6 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	14	Republic Steel	22 1/2
Consolidated Edison	32 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	42 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Richfield Oil	53 1/2
Continental Can.	48 1/2	Safeway Stores	13 1/2
Continental Oil	23 1/2	Schenley Distillers	13 1/2
Copperweld Steel	22 1/2	Sears Roebuck	87 1/2
Corn Products	67 1/2	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Curtis Wright (C.)	104	Soco-Vacuum Oil	14
Curtis Wright "A"	29 1/2	Southern Ry. 5% pfd.	29 1/2
Deere & Co.	23 1/2	Sperry	46 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	37 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	87	Standard Brands	7 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	189 1/2	Stand. Gas & Elec.	2
Engle Picher Lead	11 1/2	Standard Oil of California	24
Eaton Mfg. Co.	35 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	40 1/2
Elec. Autolite	41	Stone & Webster	101
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25.90	24.14	30 Rails	32.08	31.93	31.98
27.70	26.70	30 Utilities	25.92	25.78	25.82
29.23	28.51	40 Bonds	99.91	99.80	99.80
65.67	65.59	11 Commodity Index	68.82	68.85	68.85

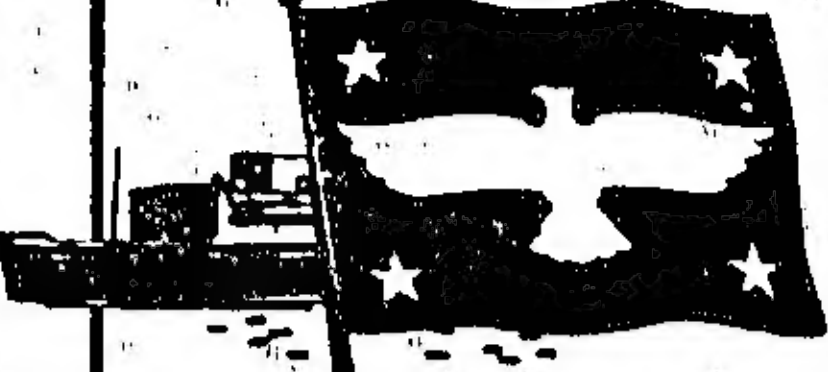
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power of the individual citizen, but taxation, even at its existing high level, will not furnish a complete solution.

"The individual is therefore being urged to save, and to the extent that he saves Government expenditure will be facilitated and the competitive bidding up of prices will be avoided. In return for his effort and the sacrifice which he is called upon to make, the individual is entitled to expect that the Government is getting good value for money wisely spent."

The problem of rising prices received extended attention from Lord Wardington, Chairman of Lloyds Bank, who said, in part:—

"It is natural enough for men to wish to claim sufficient to buy their necessities and little comforts—and indeed for those whose incomes are near the border line of actual necessity some allowance must be made—and it is natural enough for those who are the advisers and leaders in these matters to claim that those whom they represent have a right to increased remuneration to meet the extra cost of living. But has anyone a right to say that he ought to be as well off in war as he is in peace-time?"

"Dr. Fink has asserted that the Germans will put up with sacrifices; and all the deprivations which war brings in its train, longer and more readily than we. I do not believe it. The people of this country, from the lowest to the highest, have never been so convinced of the righteousness of our cause, or so determined to 'stick it out' as they are at the present time, and if they realize the necessity for sacrifice they will willingly and voluntarily make it."

SOUND REASONING

The possible limitations of such voluntary restriction of consumption occupied the attention of other speakers. Sir R. Norton Barclay, of the District Bank Limited, took occasion to appreciate the sound reasoning of Mr. Maynard Keynes, who goes so far

as to advocate compulsory saving. The Government's present programme is to stimulate voluntary thrift. If it should fail, then Mr. Keynes' scheme may have to be applied with such modifications as circumstances require. The Right Hon. Reginald McKenna, Chairman of the Midland Bank, also considers that compulsory saving of all increases of income may become necessary, should the war be of long duration.

"Judging from comments in the Press, I conclude that public opinion is not yet ripe for the imposition of a scheme of compulsory saving. But should we ever be engaged in another great war, which may heaven avert, I believe we should at once turn our minds to a plan of the kind proposed by Mr. Keynes. We should probably find, indeed, that the Treasury had already worked 'one out in detail, and that the Government of the day would include it among its first war measures."

ESTABLISHED HABITS

"The British public are steadfast in patriotism and when they understand the need are ready to submit to any sacrifice; but it is hard to break away from estab-

TREASURE SHIP AT MILLWALL

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter).—The German freighter, Unentfels, which has almost completed unloading at Millwall Docks, has proved to be a veritable treasure ship. It is estimated that the ship and its cargo is worth roughly £750,000, including tons of oil cake and ground nuts, suitable for making margarine.

lished habits and standards of living, and the economic reasons why we should do so are not easily comprehended. Yet, just as other encroachments on liberty during the war have been not merely accepted but welcomed by the public, so I believe this last one, when better understood, would be accepted also.

"It would be more equitable than inflation, more practicable than still further taxation, and at the end of the war, when industry is no longer engaged in making arms but has turned again to the building of houses and the manufacture of the products of peace, the war savings would give to all the means to share in the new output and to invest, if they so wished, in the capital needed to set the wheels of peaceful industry in motion."

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W.R. LOXLEY & Co. (CHINA) Ltd. Agents.

Hong Kong, 9th April, 1940. [312]

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

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CONSIGNEE NOTICE

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Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.
Hong Kong, 1940. [189]

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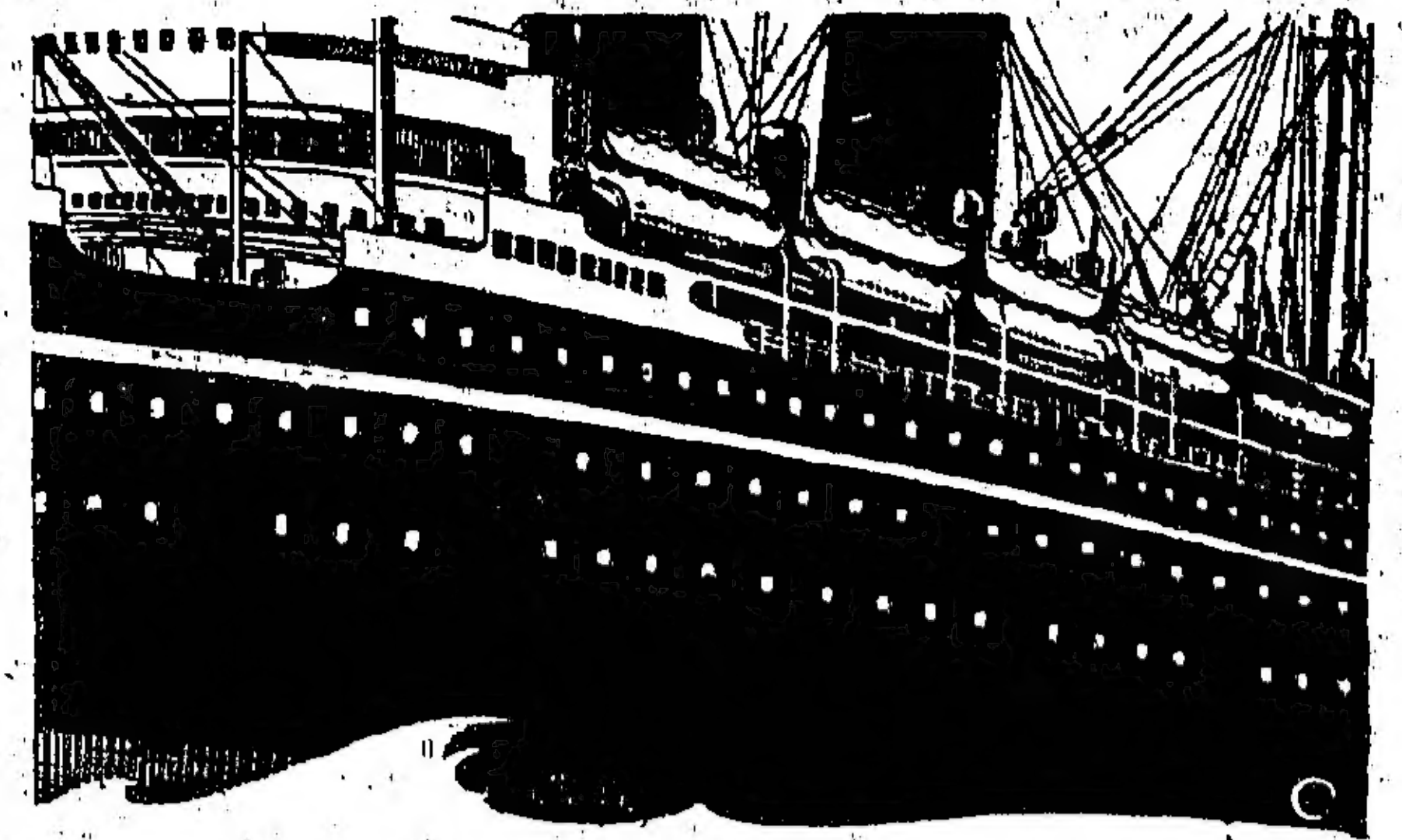
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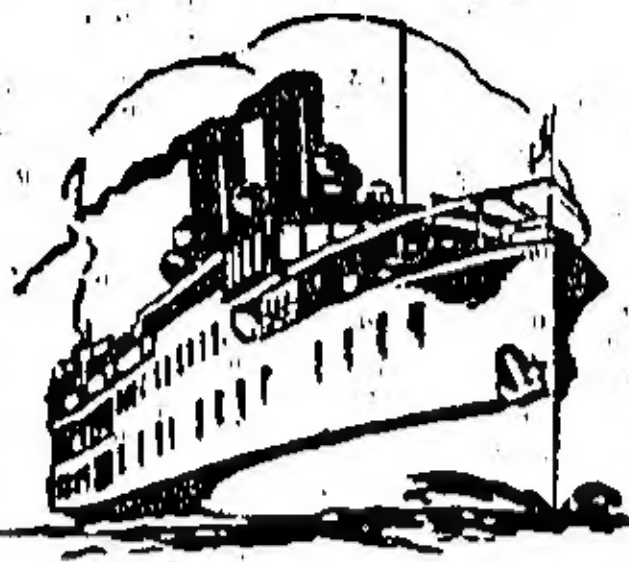
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here, unless Notice has been given 48
hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried
on from port to port to the final port of
call to which the option extends.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
15th April, 1940, will be subject to
Rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on 13th
April, 1940, at 10 a.m., by our
Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
To comply with the General Bonded
Warehouse Regulations, consignees must
have a Revenue Officer in attendance
when damaged dutiable goods are
examined.
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obtained.
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unless instructions were given to the
contrary Six Hours before arrival of
the steamer.
Goods not cleared within 8 days in-
cluding date of arrival will be subject to
rent.
No Fire Insurance has or will be
effected by us in any case whatever.
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the Godowns for examination by the
Consignees and the Company's Surveyors,
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m.
on Monday and Thursday, within the
Free Storage period.
Consignees are specially notified that
it is necessary for a Revenue Officer to
be present at the examination of damaged
dutiable cargo.
All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 27th April, 1940, or they will
not be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown.
MAKINSON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Agents,
Hong Kong, 6th April, 1940. [201]

**ROTARIANS HEAR ABOUT
UPPER ATMOSPHERE**

In his talk on "Exploring the Upper Atmosphere" which he gave to Hongkong Rotarians at their weekly tiffin meeting yesterday, Mr. L. Starbuck, Professional Assistant at the Royal Observatory, dealt with a difficult and somewhat technical subject in a highly interesting manner.

Starting with a brief history of man's efforts to penetrate into the stratosphere, Mr. Starbuck dwelt at some length on the progress of ascent by balloons from the very early period of the 15th century when Leonardo da Vinci invented the first parachute.

**COMBINED
EXERCISES**

In connexion with the Combined Exercises which commenced yesterday, the following communique was issued at 8 o'clock last night from Headquarters, China Command:—

Today various administrative exercises have been carried out, wounded, denoted by labels have been evacuated from various posts to the hospital Bowden Road, and tomorrow a test on a larger scale is expected, as many members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade are giving their services tonight and tomorrow and are being employed in their war roles. In addition the Nursing Sections of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps have reported for duty at the Military hospital and are also learning how they would be employed on mobilization. Various technical tests of the supply and Ordnance branches have also been carried out.

There has been little operational activity. This morning cruises carried out an "exercise" bombardment along the south coast of the Island in order to test the Coast Defences in engaging targets at long ranges with air observation. The full effect of this work was hampered by the low lying mist, but useful practice was obtained.

At various times air bombing attacks were simulated on defences, some of them being with "gas" bombs in order to practise troops in carrying out their normal duties in protective clothing, and in the work of decontamination.

During the afternoon several of the Artillery and the Machine Gun Units of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps deployed in their war stations. Most of these are giving up the whole night to this work, and are only returning to their civil occupations direct tomorrow morning.

**Fantastic
Stories
Denied**

Fantastic stories reported in Hongkong yesterday to the effect that there was a concentration of Japanese warships in Big Bay, that Japanese armed trawlers had arrived off Namtau, and that "puppet" troops, led by Japanese officers, were massing at Tai Ping preparatory to occupying the border territory between Namtau and Shataukok, were discounted by the British military authorities as well as by Chinese official circles when questioned by the Hongkong Daily Press last night.

The police stations along the border denied that there was any uneasiness among Chinese villagers across the border and everywhere the report was received that everything was as quiet as usual.

A Japanese Consular officer also stated, when questioned in this connexion, that he did not attach any credence to the report.

**SCAPA FLOW
RAID FAILS**

LONDON, April 9 (Reuter).—An Admiralty and Air Ministry communique states that enemy aircraft carried out an attack on Scapa Flow last evening without, however, doing any damage.

It is certain that at least one enemy aircraft was brought down by our fighters.

Mr. J. D. Greenway, First Secretary of the British Embassy in China, passed through Hongkong yesterday on his transfer to Budapest, Hungary.

Prof. Harry Ore's second monthly recital of a series of three, illustrating the development of the Piano Sonata will be given to-night at 8.30 at the Union Assembly Room of the University.

In the Colony Chess Championship yesterday evening, K. M. A. Barnett beat L. Blair and A. Y. Birukoff beat A. Kurrik.

UNMANNED BALLOONS

The speaker continuing, said in part:—It would be absurd, to ignore the part played by the unmanned balloon for the purpose of scientific research. Wind velocity measurements were early made by attaching anemometers to tethered balloons or kites. Pilot balloons, which were small rubber balloons filled with hydrogen, had long been employed for a similar purpose. The course of the balloon observed from one or two theodolites, and from readings taken at regular short intervals, velocities, and from reading taken at various heights, could be determined. These balloons were observed up to heights of two to six miles and in some cases up to 16 miles.

During the Dutch war of 1866, he said, the guns of the fleet in the Channel were distinctly heard in St. James's Park, London, but there was no record of such at Dover and Deal. It was not, however, until two and half centuries later that the question of sound waves was investigated.

In 1903, at the time of the explosion in Westphalia, Von dem Borne investigated the circumstances under which the sound was heard and was able definitely to establish the existence of a "zone of silence." His theory was that the sound waves travelled upwards to a considerable height, where for some reason their speed was greatly increased and they were turned downwards to earth again.

The passage of the sound waves through the stratosphere resulted in the discovery of an important fact, namely that temperature increased with height, above a certain level and was not uniform as had been supposed. This had an important bearing on a most interesting feature of the upper air, namely, the ozone layer, but the honour of its discovery went to another traveller in the stratosphere, the ultra violet light.

RADIO WAVES

Radio waves, were essentially the same as light waves, being transverse which travelled through the former had much longer wavelengths. It was known that the waves travelled at a speed of 186,000 miles per second and were not capable of curving sufficiently to follow the earth's surface. Yet why did they not escape into outer space? Somewhere and somehow they were turned back, just as the sound waves, but for a different reason, because radio waves do not travel in the air and are not affected by temperature.

The vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Wing Comdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins.

VISITING ROTARIAN

Among the visiting Rotarians was Mr. Kok Chong-fook of Seremban, Federated Malay States. Mr. Kok said that he was greatly impressed by beautiful Hongkong. It was his first visit here and he liked the place very much. He brought a flag from the Seremban Rotary Club which he presented to the President, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy.

Mr. Kok was in return presented with a flag of the Hongkong Rotary Club for presentation to his home Club, on his return to the F. M. S.

Mention was made of an invitation received from the Vagabond Rotarians to their meeting on April 17, which was accepted.

Visiting Rotarians present were Mr. J. M. Henry (Canton), Mr. J. C. Hope (F. M. S.), Mr. Y. L. Lee (Canton), Mr. Kok Chong-fook (Seremban), Mr. A. J. Bird (Canton) and Mr. William M. Williams (Chicago No. 1).

The following were present as guests, Messrs. George Haynes, Henry Peterson, Dr. David Landsborough, Messrs. G. R. Razavet, W. F. Arndt, J. W. Morris and H. Ascouth.

**PHYSICAL
TRAINING
DISPLAY
BY C.B.S.**

An excellent programme of gymnastics, classical dancing, recreational and team games, was presented yesterday by the pupils of the Central British School at their annual Physical Training Display.

There was a large attendance of parents and others, and among those present were H.E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble, and Lady Noble, Mr. J. M. Wilson, of the Education Department, for the Director of Education, Mr. C. G. Solis, Mr. T. R. Rowell, Captain W. McBride, R.N., and Mrs. McBride, and many others.

The Principal, the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell, received the guests.

COUNTRY DANCES

The programme included an exhibition of classical dancing with cloaks and cymbals by the senior girls, and three English country dances by the junior girls—"If all the world were paper," "Goddesses," and "Gathering Peascods."

A good display of gymnastics, vaulting and agility was presented by the senior boys. The junior boys were also seen at gymnastics and recreational games. Mr. C. M. McEwan and Miss G. Marr directed the programme, which was warmly applauded by all present.

**BADMINTON
LEAGUE**

**"Needle" Fixture
At Recreio**

The "play-off" for the Men's Doubles League Badminton Championship between the Hongkong University "A" team and the Chinese Y.M.C.A. will take place at the Recreio at 8 p.m. tonight.

The Varsity team will be represented by the following:—P. K. Hooi, K. L. Yong, P. S. Sun, C. K. Lee, H. F. Chew, M. S. Lim.

The two teams have defeated each other once this season and as both have won all their other games, their encounter should draw more than ordinary attention.

University are the present holders of the championship.

SEMI-FINAL MATCH

In the semi-final of the Colony Mixed Doubles Badminton championship played at Tai Koo Recreation Club last night K. L. Yong and Miss Ulian Khoo beat M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 15-10, 11-15, 15-4.

**JAPANESE IN
CHINESE WAR
HOSPITAL**

CHUNGKING, April 9 (Central).—Messrs. Chiang Kai-shek, Sun Yat-sen and H.H. Kung yesterday visited the hospital established by "Friends of the Wounded" in Chungking. Comfort kits were distributed to the wounded soldiers, all of whom, including five Japanese, sat up in their beds to pay respects to the eminent Chinese women leaders.

Addressing them, Madame Chiang said that Chinese women are doing their best to serve the wounded soldiers.

**NON-RECOGNITION
OF WANG**

CHUNGKING, April 9 (Central).—The Chinese Seamen's Union has also dispatched messages of thanks to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the U.S. Senate, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, Lord Halifax, British Foreign Secretary, and M. Paul Reynaud, French Prime Minister, for their declarations of non-recognition of the Wang Ching-wei regime and continued support of the National Government in Chungking as the Government of the Republic of China.

WANG ON TOUR

PEIPING, Apr. 9 (Reuter).—Wang Ching-wei, who arrived here yesterday on a tour of inspection of North China, left by plane for Kalgan, the capital of the Mongolian Autonomous Government this morning. He will visit Government officials and is expected to return in the afternoon.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 10th APRIL, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

* Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

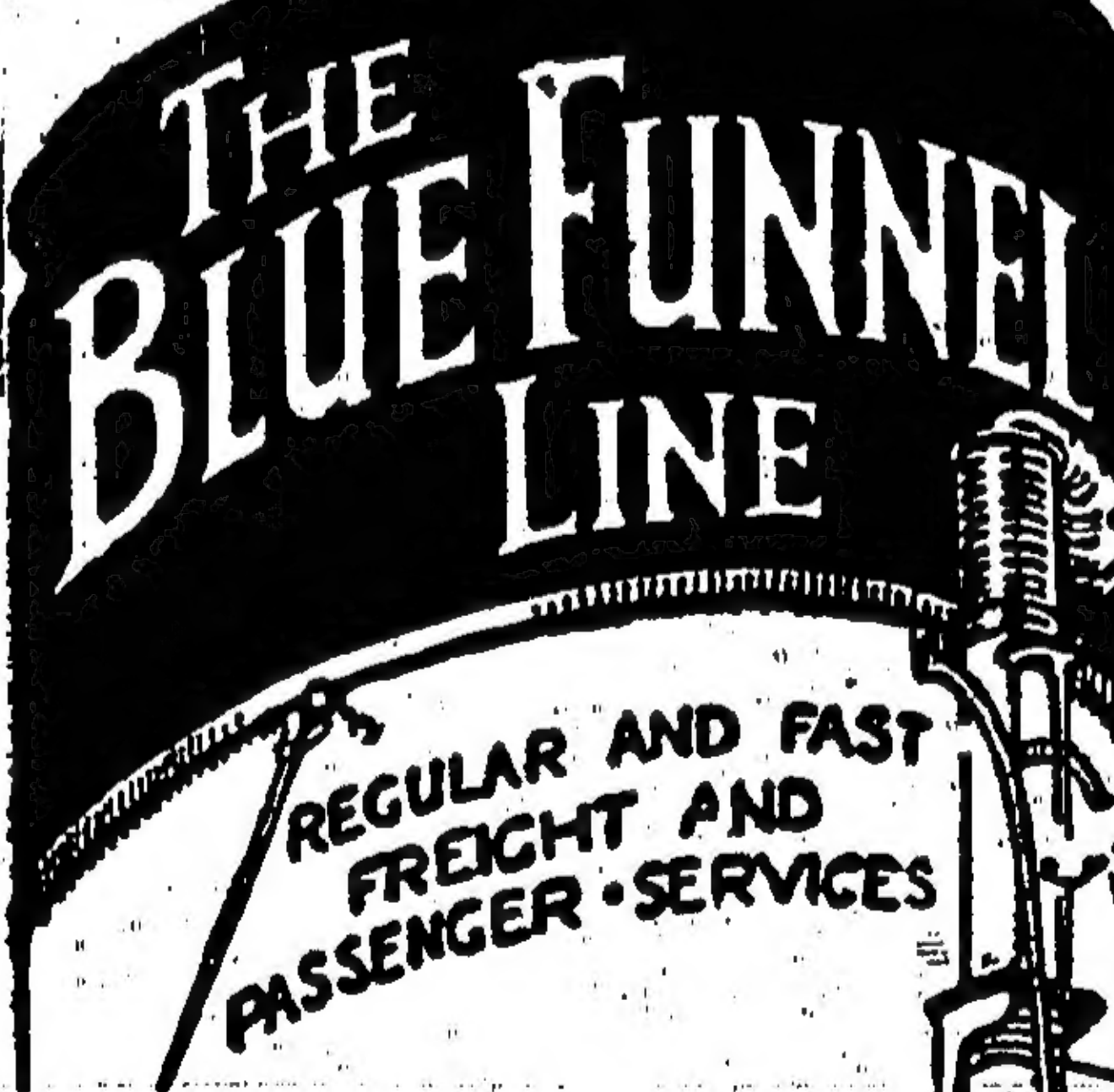
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Shanghai and Amoy	10th Apr.
Haiphong, Holhow & Fort Bayard	10th Apr.
Manila	10th Apr.
Sandakan	11th Apr.
Straits	11th Apr.
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Canton	11th Apr.
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Rabaul	11th Apr.
Straits	11th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	11th Apr.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 13th March)	11th Apr.
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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B. C. date, 23rd March)	11th Apr.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London, date 3rd April.	12th Apr.
Shanghai	12th Apr.
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Shanghai	13th Apr.
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Bangkok and Saigon	14th Apr.
Shanghai and Amoy	14th Apr.
Sandakan	15th Apr.
Manila	15th Apr.
Haiphong	15th Apr.
Java and Manila	16th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	16th Apr.
Straits	16th Apr.
Haiphong	17th Apr.
Straits	17th Apr.
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Shanghai	18th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	18th Apr.
Japan	18th Apr.
Canton	18th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	18th Apr.
Japan and Formosa	18th Apr.
Shanghai	20th Apr.
Japan and Manila	21st Apr.
Calcutta and Straits	21st Apr.
Shanghai	21st Apr.
Sandakan	24th Apr.
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For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 10th
Canton	7.15 AM
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada only)—due San Francisco, 30th April.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 6.00 PM Par. 6.00 PM Ord. 10th 8.45 AM Ord. 10th 9.30 AM
Haiphong	8.00 PM
Shanghai and Japan	8.30 PM
Formosa	8.30 PM
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris 18th April.	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Straits	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Bangkok	7.00 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 11th
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 17th April.	K.P.O. Reg. 10th 5.00 PM Ord. 11th 7.30 AM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Manila	6.00 PM
Amoy	6.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 12th
Fort Bayard, Holhow and Haiphong	1.00 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Parcels	4.00 PM
Reg.	5.00 PM
Ord.	5.30 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 13th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 23rd April.	K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe Via Marseilles—due Marseilles 13th May and London Parcels—due London, 21st May.	G.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
Amoy	2.30 PM

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